





## NEWS BRIEFS

## Albany

## Spring Festival is city's first

Albany will celebrate its first-ever Spring Festival Sunday in Memorial Park, 1325 Portland Ave.

The festival will feature 10 Albany restaurants, including: The Aegean Grill, Nizza la Bella, Clay Pot Seafood House, Solano Grill and Bar, Fonda, Walker's Restaurant and Pie Shop, The-Naaree Thai Cuisine, Filippo's Pastaria, Ruen Pair Authentic Thai Cuisine, and Celadon Fine Teas.

The festival will also have live music, an art show and a historical exhibit featuring photographs and memorabilia from Old Albany.

Tickets are \$20 each in advance, \$25 at the door and will include two to three tastes of each participating restaurants. For more information, call the Albany Chamber of Commerce, 510-525-1771.

## El Cerrito

## Democratic Club will hear about media

The public is invited to attend the 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, meeting of the El Cerrito Democratic Club, following the 7:30 p.m. general business meeting, in the Northminster Presbyterian Church at 545 Ashbury Ave.

The guest speaker will be Anna Buffa from Media Alliance, who will give a presentation regarding the structure of the American news media and its impact on news coverage.

For information, call 510-524-4659.

## Berkeley

## S.F. comedy crew to give improv performance

S.F. Improv will perform at the Café Eclectica in Berkeley at 8 p.m. June 15, providing an evening of improvised comedy and drama using suggestions from the audience.

Admission is free. Café Eclectica is located at 1309 Solano Ave., Berkeley. For more information, visit [www.sfinprov.com](http://www.sfinprov.com), or call Café Eclectica at 510-527-2344.

## El Cerrito

## AAUW welcomes officers at luncheon

The West Contra Costa County branch of the American Association of University Women will hold a luncheon and installation of officers at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Mira Vista Country Club, 7900 Cutting Blvd. in El Cerrito.

Cost of the luncheon is \$17, and the reservation deadline is May 27. Contact Virginia Throssell, 510-233-2142, for more information.

## Berkeley

## Flexible work is topic of workshop

Neighborhood Parents Networks presents "Part-Time Parenting? A Career Networks Forum on Flexible Work Arrangements" from 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 19 at Thousand Oaks Elementary, 840 Colusa, Berkeley.

Cost is \$5 for members, and \$10 for non-members. Adults only; RSVP required. For information, call Amy Knowlden at [knowlden@earthlink.net](mailto:knowlden@earthlink.net) or 510-526-4044.

## Albany

## Library features poetry, open mike nights

Albany Library's First Thursdays and Second Wednesdays include an open mike and featured poet.

The next First Thursday event hosts featured poet Ruth L. Schwartz and is from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in the Edith Stone Room.

The next Second Wednesday event is the monthly poetry writing workshop, led by Alison Seevak, from 7 to 9 p.m. June 12, also in the Edith Stone Room.

Both events are free and open to all ages. Light refreshments will be served. The Albany Library is located at 1247 Marin Ave., Albany. Questions? Call Julie Winkelstein at 510-526-3720, ext. 19.

## El Cerrito

## Home retrofitting workshop June 8

The Association of Bay Area Governments and the American Red Cross will sponsor a free home retrofitting workshop for West County residents from 9:30-11:30 a.m. June 8 at the El Cerrito Senior Center, 6500 Stockton Ave. behind the library.

Up to 160,000 families may be unable to stay in their homes due to structural damage following the next big earthquake in the Bay Area. Homes built before 1960 are especially at risk for damage from earthquakes. However, homes can be strengthened to help withstand seismic forces, and earthquake retrofitting is considered a good investment.

At the workshop, a panel of experts will discuss how to find a contractor, whether or not an engineer is needed, typical retrofitting costs and available financial resources.

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## ALBANY POLICE

## May 20

■ Shortly before midnight, Albany officers stopped a purple '97 Honda on the 500 block of Pierce Street for suspicious activity. The driver, an Oakland man, was found to have outstanding Oakland warrants. He was arrested, cited and released.

## May 21

■ In the morning, a resident on the 1000 block of Stannage Avenue reported thieves had smashed the window of his car and stolen his backpack. There were no witnesses.

■ Later that morning, a resident at 535 Pierce Street reported her Honda Civic had been broken into during the night while it was parked in a secured parking area. Later that day, another resident reported his silver Dodge Dakota had also been broken into. There were no witnesses.

■ Mid-morning, a resident on the 1000 block of Kains reported checks had been stolen from his mailbox. There were no witnesses.

■ In the afternoon, a resident on the 900 block of Ordway Street reported her silver '90 Toyota Camry was missing. She had last seen it three days prior.

■ At about 4 p.m., an Albany resident reported that about two hours earlier, her son was walking near Masonic and Marin Avenues and was approached by a subject described as a 35-year-old white male in a yellow vehicle. The subject asked her son to help him push the vehicle. Her son refused, and he started begging. When her son ignored his pleas, the subject got mad and sped off in the vehicle. Police are investigating.

■ At about 11:30 p.m., a resident on

the 1000 block of San Pablo Avenue reported that 10 minutes earlier he had observed three male juveniles who appeared to be breaking three windows in a black Honda. They were last seen traveling north on San Pablo Avenue in a vehicle.

## May 22

■ A resident on the 900 block of Jackson Street reported that during the early morning hours thieves stole her white '93 Saturn. There were no witnesses.

■ At about 4 p.m., an Albany resident reported her car had been egged while she was driving near Peralta and Marine avenues. She suspected the subject might be up in a tree. Officers investigated.

■ At about 6:30 p.m., a resident on the 700 block of Pierce Street reported thieves had stolen a wrought iron-and-terra-cotta planter off her porch. There were no witnesses.

## May 23

■ At about 10:30 p.m., a resident at 555 Pierce Street reported his gold Toyota Camry had been broken into while parked on the street. There were no witnesses.

## May 24

■ In the morning, a resident on the 1100 block of Stannage Avenue reported thieves had entered his residence through an unlocked door and stole items. They had departed unseen.

■ In the afternoon, Vallejo police reported locating a green '99 Honda Civic that had been stolen from Albany. The owner was notified.

■ At about 9 p.m., a resident on the 800 block of Hillside Avenue reported thieves had stolen three bags of potting soil from his carport. There were no witnesses.

## May 25

■ At about 1 a.m., Albany officers stopped a bicycle near Solano and San Pablo avenues for a vehicle code violation. The rider, a Richmond man, was arrested for disorderly conduct, cited and released.

■ During the afternoon, a resident on the 500 block of Curtis Street reported that during the night thieves stole items from his vehicle. There were no witnesses.

## May 26

■ In the morning, Albany officers stopped a green '97 Mazda Millennia for a vehicle code violation. The driver, a San Francisco man, was found to have an outstanding warrant for possession of a controlled substance. He was arrested, cited and transported to the Berkeley jail.

■ In the afternoon, a resident at 535 Pierce Street reported his beige Toyota Corolla had been broken into during the night while parked in the parking garage. There were no witnesses.

■ At about 10:30 p.m., a resident on the 1200 block of Brighton Avenue reported he had heard a car alarm go off. When he investigated, he discovered the window had been smashed. The vandal was not seen.

## May 27

■ At about 2 a.m., Albany officers stopped a gray Mazda on the 800

block of Talbot Avenue for a vehicle code violation. The driver, a woman, was found to be intoxicated and was arrested for DUI, cited and released.

■ At about 3 a.m., Albany officers contacted a subject on the 500 block of San Pablo Avenue for a vehicle code violation. The Sacramento man was arrested for unlawful in possession of a firearm. He was cited and released.

■ In the morning, it was reported that several vehicles on the 500 block of Hillside Avenue had been slashed during the night. Also during the night, vehicles on Danmont were vandalized. There were no witnesses to any of the destruction.

## May 28

■ At about 1:30 a.m., Albany officers stopped a burgundy '94 Toyota San Pablo Avenue for a vehicle code violation. The 21-year-old Berkeley woman was found to be intoxicated, arrested for DUI, cited and released.

## Summary

■ During the week of May 20, officers towed three cars, issued four false alarms, arrested lost or deceased animals, assisted seven people who were out of their homes or cars, domestic violence, 30 domestic disputes, 30 bank robberies and 130 civil cases. Albany firefighters responded 156 vehicles on patrol, 66 citations and 90 Albany firefighters responded four medical emergencies.

— By

## EL CERRITO POLICE

## May 7

■ A Fremont man was arrested on suspicion of stealing the identity of a resident after police began investigating at 7:30 p.m. The man allegedly obtained the resident's information, opened several charge accounts and made purchases with the cards.

## May 17

■ A vehicle's window was smashed and the stereo was taken from the 300 block of Victoria Street sometime between 7 p.m. and 7:30 a.m.

■ A stereo and amplifier were taken from a vehicle parked on the 500 block of Norvell Street sometime between 8 p.m. and 10 a.m. The window was also smashed out.

■ A bicycle was removed from a vehicle parked on the 600 block of Norvell Street sometime between 6:30 p.m. and 10:15 a.m. A window was also smashed out.

■ Someone attempted to steal a 1989 Honda Accord from the 700 block of Richmond Street sometime between 4 p.m. May 17 and 3 p.m. the next day.

■ A stolen 1994 Honda Civic was recovered by a police officer at Cutting Boulevard and Alva Avenue.

■ A stolen 1989 Toyota Camry was recovered by a police officer at Ward Street near Pomona Avenue.

■ A 1989 Toyota Camry was stolen from the 800 block of Lexington Avenue between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m.

## May 18

■ A stolen 1996 Chevy Tahoe was recovered by a police officer on the 500 block of Bonnie Drive.

■ A stolen 1989 Toyota Camry was recovered by police from Tapscott Avenue near Cutting Boulevard.

## May 19

■ A man was arrested on suspicion of felony assault after officers responded to a report of a disturbance at a home on Seaview Drive at 4:30 p.m.

■ A display case containing \$3,000 worth of snakes were taken from Pet Co. sometime between 4:15 and 5 p.m.

■ A 2000 Honda Civic was stolen from Hill at Liberty streets sometime between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. The vehicle was later recovered by the California Highway Patrol.

## May 20

■ A Pittsburg man was arrested after police determined the man was wanted on an outstanding warrant during a traffic stop at 2:30 p.m. at San Pablo Avenue near Blake Street. Police also found the man in possession of methamphetamine. The man was then booked at the El Cerrito Police Department on suspicion of felony possession of a controlled substance.

## May 21

■ A Richmond man was arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated and for possession of a controlled substance at 9:30 p.m. at San Pablo near Conlon avenues. While conducting a traffic stop, an officer determined the driver was intoxicated and in possession of cocaine. The man was then booked into the county jail.

■ Speakers were removed from a vehicle parked on the 3200 block of Yosemite sometime between 10 p.m. on May 21 and 4 p.m. the next day.

■ Clothing was removed from a vehicle parked on the 2500 block of Harris Street sometime between 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. the night of May 21. A window was also smashed out.

■ Firefighting equipment was taken from a vehicle parked on the 5800 block of El Dorado Avenue sometime

between 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. and was also smashed out.

## May 22

■ Property was removed from a vehicle parked on the 3400 block of Mont Avenue sometime between 5 p.m. on May 22 and noon the next day. The passenger-side window was also smashed out.

## May 24

■ A man was arrested on suspicion of assaulting another person at home at 7:30 a.m. He also responded to a report of a person being bitten and whipping another person with an electric cord. The officer arrested the man and took him into the county jail for a assault.

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# Activists battle to preserve views — of trees

By Alan Lopez  
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — Created by the City Council in the 1970s, the tree ordinance has been a thorn in the side of the city for the last few years.

A new group has formed recently with the goal, among other things, of repealing the ordinance, which says that bay views from homes in the El Cerrito hills are equally important as the viewability of the city.

In cases where there is a dispute between residents with a view of a tree, the city will step in to decide if a tree should be removed. Battles between residents with bay views and those who want to keep the offending tree have played out in front of the city's tree commission, which is charged with settling the disputes.

The new group arose when Thrupp noticed the same people attending meetings and lobbying the city on environmental issues.

Several of them began meeting informally last year to discuss city issues. Soon after, the group of El Cerrito Trees was born.

The group wants to protect bay views, Thrupp says, and let people know how valuable trees are. There are 10 to 12 active members with 30 to 40 people on the group's mailing list.

A lot of us are just very interested in improving the environmental and aesthetic conditions in El Cerrito, to make it a more beautiful place," said Thrupp.

Thrupp said the group believes trees weigh heavily on the side of bay views, and has collected more than 100 signatures from residents who want the ordinance repealed. They agree, she says, that the ordinance does not protect the interests of the community as a whole.

Thrupp says that the bay view is more valuable than trees," said Thrupp. "It gives the rights to the property owners to say their neighbors should cut down the trees."

Jennifer Lowe, the tree commission chairwoman, said the ordinance is flawed because it asks the commission to choose between trees, something meant for community and views, meant for the homeowner.

Thrupp personally think that it's a bad ordinance," Lowe said,

## FRIENDS OF EL CERRITO TREES

To contact the Friends of El Cerrito Trees, call Ann Thrupp at 510-965-1110 or e-mail athrupp@igc.org.

though she added in the last few years, the tree commission has only asked to trim branches and never cut down a healthy tree.

However, Thrupp said, "Our belief is that this particular ordinance and (tree) commission does not serve a very useful function... we feel that those kind of problems, if they arise, should be handled through a professional mediation service and the city should not get involved."

But not everyone agrees. Glenn and Donna Davis wrote in the June 15 issue of the El Cerrito Journal that they wanted to keep the ordinance in place.

"I enjoy my view while working with my uphill neighbors to assure that my trees do not impede their views," they wrote.

City Attorney Janet Coleson said the tree ordinance is being studied to see if it needs to be updated, and the decision will ultimately rest with the City Council.

In addition to the tree ordinance, Friends of El Cerrito Trees intends to work with the city to raise public awareness about trees through educational and outreach efforts; help protect and conserve trees in public and private property in the city and discourage the cutting of healthy trees; encourage and assist in the maintenance and planting of trees and other vegetation; and support broader environmental conservation and stewardship efforts in the city.

Group members say that trees have many economic, ecological, health and aesthetic benefits and want to work with the city staff on planting, care, planning and conservation and maintenance.

"We want to take a positive approach to this," Thrupp said. "That's a very important point. We want to work with the city and encourage maintenance and conservation of healthy trees. We want to make El Cerrito an environmentally friendly and beautiful green place to live."



MEMBERS OF Friends of El Cerrito Trees, clockwise from bottom right, Linda Blum, Rosemary Loubal, Ross Tobia, Evelyn Kiresen, Victoria Hughes, Deborah DiFrancia and Ann Thrupp pose before a eucalyptus tree at Huber Park.

## Teens can serve on youth commission

The Contra Costa Countywide Youth Commission has 10 at-large representative seats open, and several district-appointed seats will be vacated soon. The seats are in all parts of the county and are for the 2002-2003 commission year that begins Sept. 1.

The commission is a 25-member advisory group to the board of supervisors on issues that affect county youth. Some current CYC projects include youth forums to determine concerns, hopes, and dreams of Contra Costa youth at six locations across the county; collaboration with the League of Women Voters to hold mock elections in schools in the fall; and development of a youth rights book.

Those between 12 and 18 years who reside in or attend school in Contra Costa County are eligible to serve. They must be able to attend at least two commission meetings per month.

The term for at-large appointments is two years (Sept. 2002 - August 2004). District appointments are through August 2003 to fill seats being vacated by graduating seniors.

The deadline for applications to be faxed or postmarked is Friday, June 14. Forms are available at the libraries, district supervisor's offices, by sending an e-mail to ccyouthvoice@hotmail.com or calling 925-785-5244 or 925-646-6543. For more information visit <http://www.ccyouthvoice.org>

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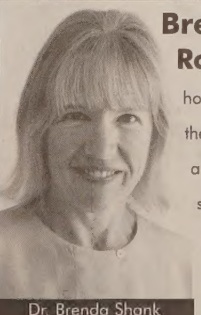
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## Area facing summer blood supply shortage

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The Blood Centers of the Pacific, a San Francisco-based nonprofit that supplies blood to 38 hospitals in the Bay Area, said that new federal restrictions on donor eligibility will likely result in a loss of 9,500 pints of blood this year.

The new federal screening guidelines intended to reduce the risk of transmitting a new variant of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, an incurable, degenerative disease of the nervous system commonly known as Mad Cow, go into effect at the end of the month.

The new criteria will exclude potential donors who have spent time in France from 1980 to the present, or who have spent five years or more months in the United Kingdom between 1980 and 1996, or who have spent five years or more months in France from 1980 to the present. A more comprehensive list, barring donations from people who have spent a total of

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# Wilderness class emphasizes connection of humans and nature

By Alan Lopez  
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — With artwork hung up, desks crowded around the room, and children in a circle learning in front of a teacher, it would seem to be an otherwise normal class at Prospect Sierra School.

The only thing is, the kids aren't doing any reading or math. They're learning wilderness skills, meditation and how to take natural materials from the earth, such as trees and plants, and turn them into medicine, food and shelter. It's part of an earth stewardship class taught by Oakland resident Brian Farrow.

On the surface, the class resembles a Boy Scout camping trip. But by teaching the students about surviving out in the wilderness, Farrow shows how nature and people are tied together and through that, the importance of taking care of the environment.

"As we're using all these things, I impart to them the value of these things and how important it is to preserve them and take care of them and be caretakers, caretakers for the planet," said Farrow.

To the third- and fourth-graders learning how to tie rope at the school about three weeks ago, it was a lesson in having fun.

About 10 students were crowded around Farrow, who was explaining the importance of making rope.

"You can make a bridge out of rope," said Farrow, pulling apart long dry leaves for his project. "Rope comes in handy for so many things."

Making the rope required some dexterity from the children, who also pulled some plant fibers apart, twisting and pinching them with their hands until the strands were put together in a strong, tight braid.

Not all the students were getting it: some needed extra help, but Farrow sat patiently while the students sat and worked carefully.

The students said the after-school class was fun — even more fun than they expected for a class they volunteered for — and that they were learning interesting topics such as how to make a skin remedy from scratch, meditation, hunting exercises and more.

"We learned if we pick a flower we have to leave an offering," said third-grader Lauren Phipps.

Farrow learned his skills while living and fishing on the East Coast. He was always interested in the outdoors and through fishing, learned about stream biology and insect behavior.

He attended wilderness skills in New Jersey about eight years ago followed by more learning in the Northwest, working with an herbalist and botanist in Washington state. He did some self-teaching and also worked with a foundation that fosters what he called the most esoteric part of native culture: shamanism — the concept of a person being able to use magic to cure illness and control spiritual forces.

Through shamanism, he said he learned the earth and the people are all connected and the only



BRIAN FARROW of the Earth Stewardship program demonstrates the how to load a dart on to a native American hunting device to Prospect Sierra School students Rebecca Dreyfus and Alexi Robbins in El Cerrito on May 23.

way to be healthy is to be good to the earth.

Farrow said one of the most important aspects of his class is how nature is tied together. For example, he said, fire can't be created without knowing about wood and how to make a sharp tool to split the wood on stone.

"Each of these things are connected to each other," said Farrow. "You need to know more than one thing. It is more or less endless and it leads back to a much greater awareness once you get involved in these things."

Farrow said he mixes together what he has learned about herbalism, healing, what he calls Indian lore and the wilderness, and then teaches it.

Adults, he said, are too steeped in their ways to be influenced by what he teaches so he teaches works with children, who he hopes will have a positive effect on the world.

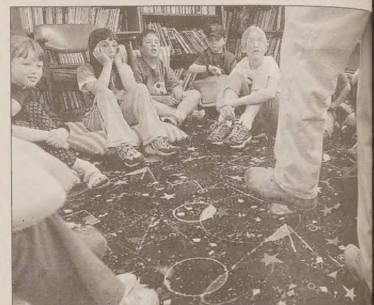
He teaches the wilderness skills part-time to schools, such as Prospect Sierra, and works part-time at the Rotary Nature Center at Lake Merritt in Oakland, where he conducts a summer camp.

"My objective, my personal goal, in my own small way, is to help save the planet, save the earth and the only way to do that is through awareness," Farrow said.

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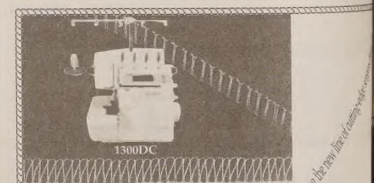


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# Albany playing fields could score major improvements

By Alan Lopez

STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — The athletic fields used by the Albany High and Middle schools will undergo about \$60,000 worth of improvements over the next three years if the Albany Unified School District approves an agreement with a Berkeley-based organization.

Under the agreement, the Rudd Family Foundation would pay for the improvements at Cougar Field, including installing new grass and drainage, and maintain the field for the next three years. In exchange, the semi-professional Premier Women's Soccer League would use the field for its practices.

"It's the kind of thing we're looking for, some kind of alliance with others to maintain our property, to improve and keep it in good shape," said Albany school board president David Farrell. "But we need to take a good look at the proposal."

Located just north of the Middle School at Behrens Street and Brighton Avenue, Cougar Field has been overused and not maintained for at least the last decade due to lack of money, according to Albany High School assistant principal Randall Booker. A 1998 plan showed three ways of improving the

track and fields, which host football, soccer and baseball games, at a cost of more than \$1 million.

This school year, a group of parents renovated the baseball field, adding new bleachers, installing new grass and clearing weeds. But many of the problems at the field remain, said Booker. They include weed growth and bad drainage that floods the football field in the winter and, when dry, leaves dangerous 2- to 3-inch-high dirt mounds.

"The drainage doesn't work properly. It's not fertilized on a regular basis. It's not aerated on a regular basis," said Booker. "It's 'mow-and-blow.' That's it."

A plan to improve and maintain the fields was brought before the school board in March by Albany resident and Albany Little League parent Mike Adney. The director of the Orinda-based women's soccer group was looking for a place to play in west county, and he had a connection with Andrew Rudd, whose foundation works to advance adult competitive recreation. The foundation agreed to fully fund the improvements in exchange for practice time at the field.

A committee was formed to hash out the details, which will soon go before a vote by the school board.

"This looked to me as viable

way to get some help getting that field and track in shape and kept up," said Albany school board member Marcia Skinner.

Booker said he was initially skeptical of the plan, but that it was worked out so that women's soccer practice would not interfere with the high school and middle school sports practices and games as well as physical education activities.

As it stands, the three-year contract with the school board would re-establish the crown on the center of the football field so that water flows down into a new drainage system. The field would also be weeded, aerated and seeded using sophisticated methods and a specially-formulated soil.

Later in the year, the discus and shot-put areas would be moved, and a grass infield would be placed on the baseball field. The outfield would be aerated and fertilized in the winter.

More work would be completed incrementally on the football field next spring. The women's soccer team would begin practicing on the field a year from now, according to Adney.

"It should be a fully-revived and fully restored four-season field when the kids come back to school, right before Labor Day," Adney said. That is, if the school board approves the contract.

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## BART board eyes fare, parking hikes

By Lisa Vorderbruegg

STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — The BART board gave a strong signal last week that it will raise fares 15 cents and move to a guaranteed parking program that would cost motorists \$3 to \$4 per day.

The board is also moving aggressively to win concessions from the unions to help close an unprecedented \$28 million deficit next fiscal year.

Even if it does all these things, BART still faces a nearly \$13 million shortfall unless the economy takes a sharp upward turn.

"We are facing a serious financial crisis at BART and we have to face it head on," said BART Board President Joel Keller of Antioch.

Keller and his colleagues are running out of time.

The next fiscal year begins July 1, and so far, BART has seen little hope for an economic rebound.

What that means is that BART must raise fares, impose new fees and take an unpopular stance with their unions just as four directors head into re-election campaigns.

Earlier this month, the board evaluated a list of potential cuts in service and as many as 150 layoffs.

At last week's hearing, directors viewed a menu of unappetizing options that dip into their riders' wallets.

On fare hikes, most of the directors indicated support for taking the base fare from \$1.10 to \$1.15. BART last raised fares in 1994. But it earmarked the new money for its \$1 billion renovation program, which left no additional money for operating expenses.

The directors were more divided on the question of parking fees. Several sought daily charges on all 40,000 spaces on the grounds that every one of BART's 310,000 daily riders subsidize parking whether they drive or not.

"It's not unreasonable to ask someone who uses a parking space to pay for it," said Director Tom Radulovich of San Francisco.

Numerous bicycle advocates and environmentalists testified that a fee would encourage people to walk, ride or take the bus to BART stations.

East Bay legislators such as Sens. Tom Torlakson, D-Antioch, and Don Perata, D-Alameda, sent letters of support for such a program.

"Parking fees are fair," said Jeff Hobson of the Bay Area Transportation and Land Use Coalition. "And if you do it right, you can do it without losing riders."

BART charges for bike lockers. A cyclist asked: Why not cars?

But it takes six votes to set or raise fees, and the suburban-based directors have only recently come around to the concept of charging for parking at all.

Keller said he would agree to setting aside 25 percent of BART's spaces for a reserved parking program.

A rider would pay from \$63 to \$84 a month — \$3 or \$4 a day — and have a guaranteed space each weekday until 10 a.m.

It would take BART up to six months to get the program running, so the first year's profits would total \$2.2 million to \$3 million.

The following year, BART staff estimates the program could generate \$7.4 million. That's roughly what it costs BART to maintain and operate its parking lots and garages.

BART is also counting on extracting some of the budget shortfall from the unions.

The board has asked the unions to forgo \$7.5 million in retirement contributions in order to save jobs and avoid service cuts.

BART and the unions agreed to the payment during last fall's contract negotiations. The action would cost a BART worker making \$55,000 a year about \$1,900.

The unions sent a draft counterproposal to its nearly 3,000 members: An enhanced retirement formula and no layoffs in return for the \$7.5 million.

Larry Hendel, spokesman for Service Union Employees International Union Local 790, declined to discuss the specifics.

"We want to get feedback from our members about what they want," he said. "Clearly, we have concerns about re-opening the contract."

Under labor's plan, a BART

worker at age 55 would receive 2.7 percent of his or her salary at retirement multiplied by years of service instead of the current 2 percent.

The Legislature extended the retirement option to public agencies after BART and the unions settled their contracts.

It's a poor trade for BART, said Deputy Director Dorothy Dugger.

"Granted, it's over time rather than a single year, but the value of the retirement increase could reach \$150 million," she said. "At a time when we're trying to close a budget deficit, this seems extraordinary to put forward a request for a new benefit."

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### Commuter congestion

NO ONE WHO commutes to work in the Bay Area needs a study confirming that time spent on the road is getting progressively longer. Nevertheless, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission has released the average commute times for every city and county in the Bay Area. It reiterates the obvious: Commute times are bad and getting worse.

Through the Bay Area grew less rapidly in the 1980s than it did in the 1980s, average commute times increased at a faster pace in the '90s than they did in the '80s. The average commute time for the entire Bay Area rose 6.2 percent in the '80s and 14.8 percent in the '90s. In Contra Costa County, commute times rose 9.1 percent in the 1980s and 17.4 percent in the 1990s. For Alameda County the figures are 5.8 percent in the 1980s and 14.4 percent in the 1990s.

The average Contra Costa commuter now spends 34.4 minutes each way to work. Alameda commuters spend an average 30.8 minutes. These are the longest times among the Bay Area counties.

However, average times are quite short compared to averages for a growing number of people who commute more than two hours one way to or from work. It is becoming increasingly difficult for people to find affordable housing near their workplaces.

Cities like San Jose, in the heart of job-rich Silicon Valley, have virtually shut down affordable home building. Business continues to expand where jobs are already plentiful, even though land is cheaper and the permit process cumbersome in outlying parts of the Bay Area.

One would think that the computer age would have increased telecommuting, allowing more people to work from home. But that is not the case.

In Contra Costa County, only 4.3 percent of workers telecommute from home. That's up a bit from the 3.4 percent a year ago, but hardly a boom. In Alameda County the percentage of those working at home actually dropped from 3.8 percent in 1990 to 3.5 percent in 2000.

Public transportation hasn't offered much relief. In Contra Costa County, 9 percent of commuters use public transportation. In Alameda County the figure is 10.6 percent. The numbers are up some in Contra Costa County but little in Alameda County.

These numbers compiled from U.S. census reports and MTC, along with new figures on rising home costs, show that the East Bay is a long way from solving its commute nightmare.

If commuters don't just waste time and money, they waste their families and communities because commuters have to leave for their families or community affairs.

Of our elected leaders, with notable exceptions like the Pittsburg City Council, understand that solving transportation problems requires a regional approach that includes affordable housing and a better jobs-housing balance as well as building highways and transit systems. How much worse the commute situation will have to get if anything substantial is done is unknown. But at least the quality of life in the East Bay is eroding.

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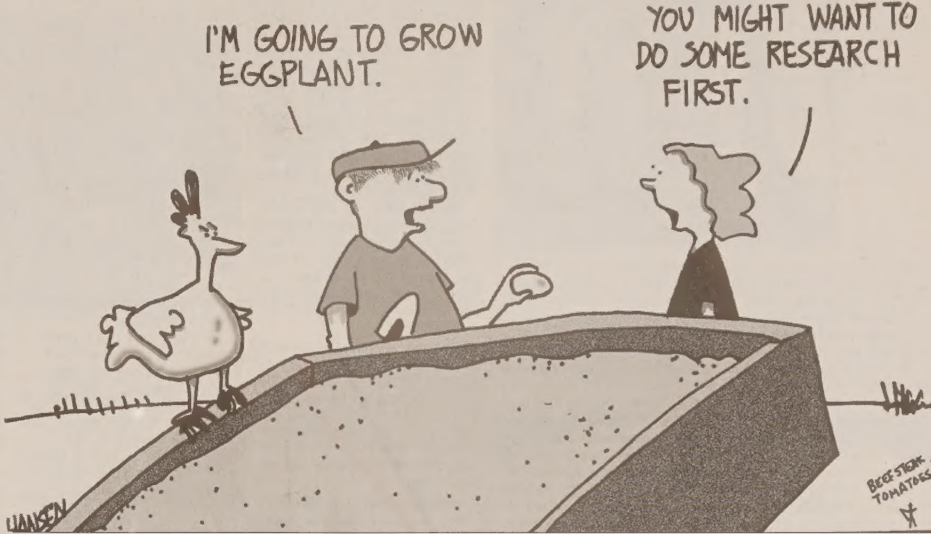
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### A special opportunity

The city of El Cerrito has an extraordinary opportunity.

A few weeks ago, 3,000 folks, mostly El Cerritos, turned out to peek at the former Cerrito Theater. The event generated community energy and happiness and enormous excitement: long-term residents came to reminisce, some with tears in their eyes, and newer residents were awestruck and dumbfounded by what has been hidden in their very backyard all these years.

It was clear that El Cerrito residents are craving the opportunity for a new cultural renaissance. And local businesses, especially nearby restaurants, were also benefiting from the activity all night.

But this is not a done deal. The city has an opportunity to purchase or lease the theater for renovations. But please let's not get hung up on the inevitable, "Oh, but it will cost taxpayers money!" What better way to spend money than to capture this momentum to transform El Cerrito and start a new era, especially when it is unmistakable that so many want the theater?

To purchase or lease this property now is a solid investment that can pay off for El Cerrito. If the theater doesn't work out, the city will control property that will only increase in value. It is plain to anyone who lives here that the area from Central Avenue through lower Fairmount Avenue will rise in value over the next few years. Those of us who live here have already seen the value of our homes increase tremendously in the last few years.

The opening of the El Cerrito Plaza (and this in a bad economy) is already off to a tremendous start. There is planning already for revitalization of lower Fairmount, a new BART parking structure with shops, and the resurfacing of the BART sidewalks.

Buying property in this area promises a very high potential rate of return. Why shouldn't El Cerrito benefit from this opportunity rather than another real estate developer?

El Cerrito council members: Don't let this opportunity pass us by!

**Ann Lehman**  
El Cerrito  
Lehman is the chairwoman of Behrens Neighborhood Association.

### Ecological road to slavery

The letter by Rep. George Miller and Jon Rainwater of the California League of Conservation Voters (Times, May 16) is typical of radical environmentalists defending the indefensible.

These two individuals clearly demonstrate their lack of understanding of global warming, energy conversion chemistry and photosynthesis. Just look at the legislation created or supported by Miller and it becomes clear his commitment is to enslave citizens to the government.

Rainwater is committed to the millions of dollars available to the radical environmental movement, whose goal is eliminating freedom by restricting the choices people make.

Since when is it a good idea to put

power to control our freedom of choice in the hands of political appointees, to decide what we drive and how much we will be taxed on the amount we drive?

Neither Miller, Rainwater, nor the members of the state legislature are qualified to make such decisions. Yet, many of the citizens of this state are willing to follow them over a cliff because the fear tactics they use are effective.

Voters had better wake up and realize how much power is being shifted into the hands of folks such as Miller, Rainwater and irresponsible state politicians.

**Gary Buffon**  
El Cerrito

### Save wild treasures

I am fully in support of Sen. Barbara Boxer's California wilderness bill.

Just as forward-thinking preservationists and politicians were able to establish, at the beginning of the last century, the parks and wilderness areas that California is famous for, we now need forward thinking that will continue to preserve some of this country's greatest wild treasures.

This is true, especially in the face of the fact that California's population will grow to more than 50 million people by 2025. Let's honor and protect our wild heritage. Once it's gone, it will be next to impossible to get it back.

**Richard Walker**  
El Cerrito

### 'No' to censorship

We are outraged that Mayor Dean and Berkeley City Council members think they have the right to judge and define what is and is not suitable for people to watch, and at what time they should watch it, on our own public access TV station, Channel 25.

They think they can become Berkeley's mom and dad, telling us the national standard for "adult programming" is not good enough. We don't need them to be our censors — nor do they have the right to tell us what is "indecent" or "obscene."

Free speech is at stake. Alternative viewpoints on television are becoming harder to find since large corporations control more and more of the media.

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That station's mandate is that it doesn't censor any program, and any Berkeley resident can bring in something to play and it will be aired.

Moving the time for adult programming to midnight is more than "rescheduling." What makes Berkeley so different from the rest of the country, which follows the 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. safe harbor guideline?

The mayor and City Council are imposing their own personal tastes, and the personal tastes of the few who have complained, on the rest of us. Free speech does not work that way. If you do not like a program or are offended by it, just turn it off. If you don't want your kids to see something on TV, that's between you and them.

We oppose censorship and governmental suppression of free speech. That's why we will be protesting and fighting this and any attempt to censor Berkeley TV!

And thank you Kriss Worthington for voting "no" on May 14.

**Alexi Malenky**  
**Corey Nicholl**  
Berkeley

### Celebrate our history

I'm writing from The Danceasy, the ballroom dancing school at 9951 San Pablo Ave., just down the street from Cerrito Theater.

As a business owner resident in a site that has historical significance, enlightened self-interest alone would prompt me to support saving the Cerrito Theater. But I also have seen the inside of the cinema and think it can and should be saved.

Making the Central Avenue corner into something of beauty could have a real impact on people coming in from the freeway. The work at El Cerrito Plaza is a beginning, and I would like to see us continue to develop this part of our city.

I work here and I live here, and I have grown to love El Cerrito. We have a history we've been hiding and I'd like to see us begin to celebrate it and share it with the world.

**Kate Schonmeyer**  
El Cerrito

### Rent at market rate

High-density housing should be built near BART stations, but all of the units should be priced at market rate.

If the laws governing affordable housing are so constructed as to require that a single mother not pay more than 30 percent of her income on rent, then have the father pitch in 30 percent of his income to house his children. Make him pay this, even if it only means, say, a \$50-per-month contribution.

Also, if affordable housing is to be built, then what about helping the hard-working childless person paying more than 50 percent on rent?

**David Anderson**  
Berkeley



# Model boats, boaters, in their element

**SAM BLOOD**, right, holds a ketch and Dave Greer a catamaran which they launched into San Francisco Bay from the Berkeley Pier.



(DAVE GREER PHOTO)

It was a bright and windy Sunday afternoon when my old buddy Sam Blood and I walked out on to the Berkeley Pier carrying three miniature sailboats and an odd metal contraption. We were about to put into action a plan we had long contemplated: We were going to turn the boats loose in the Bay.

For years Sam and I designed and built little boats that sailed fast and well without radio control, which most commercial models don't. For lightness and ease of construction, we used balsa wood, Styrofoam (polystyrene) and cardboard tubes. We also developed sliding sail rigs and keels for better balance. These monohulls, catamarans, and trimarans measured about a foot to 17 inches, less bowsprits. They were strictly sailing boats, not shelf models.

We had a lot of fun, learned to make sails on a sewing machine, and came up with some novel craft. But Sam decided it was time to get rid of his. These were his last three, and he wanted to release them into their element much as people in Asia buy birds to set free in the sky.

We were launching from the Berkeley Pier so the boats would have a chance to get under way before being blown back on the shore by the wind coming off the Bay. To do this, Sam constructed a metal cradle that held the boats while they were lowered by strings into the water. There they floated off the cradle and sailed away. I put my phone number on them to see if anybody finding them would call.

The first boat off was a Styrofoam ketch with two masts and three sails. We only had one guess at the adjustments, but we got them right, and she headed into the Bay on a perfect port tack. Next into the water was a Styrofoam catamaran followed by a balsa-planked sloop. Neither of them did very well, and it looked as though they would end up on the rocks.

A show like this had drawn a crowd, which began rooting for the boats as if it were an athletic event. Maybe it helped, because just as the catamaran seemed doomed, it changed course and took off for the mouth of the harbor.

The sloop, which had been steadily losing ground, then caught a port tack and headed for the closer of two long breakwaters outside the harbor's entrance. As if there were a skipper at the helm, it sailed the length of this obstruction and toward another breakwater perpendicular to it.

It looked like an ugly end for this boat, but at the last moment it tacked over and was off for the open Bay. The crowd cheered! Maybe it was those group vibes, maybe some inanimate objects are not as inanimate as we think, and maybe it was just an extraordinary run of good luck. Anyway, it was a wonderful thing to see.

A few minutes later this boat was picked up by a passing sailboat. The catamaran was retrieved by a motorboat. But the red sails of the ketch slowly faded out of sight into the distant Marin shoreline. With the boating day about over, I was afraid nobody would find this gutsy little sailer which had performed so well. It didn't seem fair, somehow.

When I got home, my wife, Rae, told me the finder of the catamaran had called. I called back and told him he could keep it. That evening Jim Dougherty phoned from Richmond and said he had the sloop, and I told him the same thing. I had given up on the ketch when about a week later I heard from Jesse Williams of Pacific Grove who had picked her up off Richmond, on course and doing fine! Quite a sail for a 15-inch made of Styrofoam packing material. Maybe Sam should market this one.

And there is one last twist to the story. About a month later I



**DAVE GREER**  
Man About Town

fell into conversation with a fellow at the Berkeley Marina who mentioned that while out sailing he had picked up a model boat! Yes, it was Jim Dougherty, who retrieved the sloop. He later brought it over to my house and showed me the fine job he did repairing hull damage it subsequently suffered.

So three little boats have found new homes, and I met kindred sailing spirits. If you like stories like this, read "Paddle to the Sea" by Holling Clancy Holling. It is the story of a model canoe with paddler launched into Lake Superior by an Indian boy. Although fiction, its adventures are all plausible. It is also educational on many subjects and fascinating reading for both children and adults. (It is available at the Albany Library.)

**GOOD-BYE AMANDA:** Amanda Bennett, an assistant in Albany's Community Development Department for two years, has moved on to another job. Even in a city known for friendly and efficient employees, she was a standout.

She has accepted a position as administrative secretary in Berkeley's Office of Transportation. "The people I have worked with in Albany are without exception nice and hard-working," she said. "But this job will give me a chance to advance and try new things."

Amanda grew up in Concord, Mass., got her bachelor's in anthropology from UC Berkeley, and worked with the U.S. Department of Labor in San Francisco for seven years. Albany Director of Community Development Ann Chaney said, "She was a splendid addition to the office and helped us get much better organized and responsive to the public."

The fact that Amanda has perfect pitch and plays four musical instruments may partly explain her exceptional ability to hit just the right note in dealing with people. All who knew her wish her well on the new job. No permanent replacement had been found at this writing.

# Help battle famous but ignored disease

**TOMORROW WILL BE** the 61st anniversary of the death of baseball great Lou Gehrig from the disease that now bears his name. To mark this sad occasion, Major League Baseball will hold a unique pre-game ceremony at ballparks across the country.

A celebrity will take the field and recite Gehrig's moving farewell address, the one in which he calls himself "the luckiest man on the face of the earth." James Gandolfini, Luke Perry, Billy Baldwin, Chi McBride and John Goodman are among those who will read the speech. The A's will be away tomorrow; but the Giants will be playing at home, and they've tapped Brooke Shields to be their Designated Reader.

It's a sweet gesture, but let's remind ourselves what happened the day after Gehrig gave that speech.

The Yankees fired him. They stopped his paycheck. It wasn't bad enough that he was dying; he had to go out and find a job to pay his bills during the time it took him to die.

Gehrig's story is a typical example of the way we treat everyone who has his disease: We cast them out in the cold.

The frustrating thing is that there's no scientific reason why a cure can't be found. But there's almost no money being spent to find it, either by the government or by the drug companies.

It's a question of numbers: Lou Gehrig's Disease — or, as the doctors call it, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis — may be a horrible way to die; but statistically speaking, there aren't as many cases of ALS as there are other afflictions.

Because of their small numbers, ALS patients have no political clout to lobby for government research grants. Nor do they represent a sizable market for the drug companies. So nothing gets done on their behalf.

What little money is raised has to go to the patients themselves, to help them cope with the devastating financial dam-

age ALS can wreak on a family's budget.

Another problem is that people with ALS usually live only a few years after the first symptoms appear. So it's hard to find a celebrity who will be around long enough to act as a spokesman, the way Michael J. Fox is doing so well for Parkinson's Disease. In fact, people usually don't get active in fighting ALS unless they know someone who has it.

People like John Madden. When his friend Al Hart's wife, Sally, died from ALS, Madden's response was to go out and raise funds for ALS research. And he kicked in a hefty donation of his own.

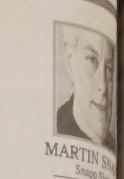
He and Al will be honored tomorrow night by the ALS Society of Northern California at a fundraising black tie benefit at Trader Vic's at Dinah's Garden Hotel in Palo Alto. (Kudos to Warren Wilkie, G.M. of Dinah's Garden Hotel, for contributing more than \$18,000 worth of in-kind donations.)

But the sad fact remains that there will never be enough money to make a serious stab at finding a cure if the only people who get involved are those who have been personally affected. There are just too few of them. Or, I should say, "us," because Sally Hart was my friend, too.

Even though ALS patients are small in number, their deaths still have a terrible ripple effect. For instance, Al Hart and Sally's brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, coworkers, friends, and two cats named Lucy and Cleo all think this world is a sadder place without her.

So I'm appealing to the rest of you, the vast majority who don't know anyone with ALS. (At least you don't think you do. But you thrilled watching Catfish Hunter win all those World Series games when you were growing up, didn't you? He died of ALS, too.)

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And, of course, I came on Sunday. I'm an ALS Association member. "Walk To D'Fect ALS" Lake Merritt.

It's a dumb name, but a good cause. It starts at the Gazette. The walk itself — no stroller, really — kids. A lot of Al's pals will be there, so if you wondered what the bodied voices really this is your chance.

Don't feel that you give money if you're great. If you just join the fun and raise a fuss, that's great, too. For information, call 415-338-1111.

ALS is an insidious that attacks the motor making even the simplest movements — speaking, eating, gesturing, etc. — impossible.

It is always fatal. In stages, you slowly lose death. Since you can't write or communicate, it's a peculiarly cruel death.

My friend Sally was going to die, but I accepted her fate with that I can only hope when my time comes, I knew it was too late.

But it might not be for other ALS patients. I decide to conquer this affliction, once and for all.

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# Down from the mountain

With annual Himalayan performances returned to Berkeley's Park on Sunday, the dance troupes Shalini Goel, 25, of Berkeley, left, and Amanda Goel, 27, of Richmond, right, performed traditional Indian, Afghani, Pakistani and Nepalese dances. The fair also sells Tibetan jewelry.



# Cal's Student-Athletes: The Best of Both Worlds

balance the needs of the city and the state, which will come to the south of the property and continue north of the track. The plan is not against the city, as long as the city is taken into account. The plan would have to be a development with Berkeley establishing a fund or job for kids to contribute to the city, she said.

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how much development is allowed on the private property is under debate. After the city's waterfront proposal, the plan is not against the city, as long as the city is taken into account. The plan would have to be a development with Berkeley establishing a fund or job for kids to contribute to the city, she said.

the kind of easing into it, so that something that's common to the cities," he said. The project is expected to take three years. The plan is not against the city, as long as the city is taken into account. The plan would have to be a development with Berkeley establishing a fund or job for kids to contribute to the city, she said.

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# Theater

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building housed the Cerrito Theater from the 1930s to the 1950s before it became Keifer's Furniture store.

With support from the community, the redevelopment agency agreed to lease the property for three months back in March, while it figured out what to do with it. That lease is up June 6.

At its meeting Wednesday night, the redevelopment agency was given three choices: whether to lease the property, buy it, or do nothing. To the delight of many in the audience wearing black "Friends of the Cerrito Theater" T-shirts, the agency chose to direct staff to find a way to buy the theater outright.

"I think this could be a tremendous landmark for the residents of El Cerrito as well as West County," said Pam Challinor, who added that a shopping mall should not be the city's only landmark.

Former Councilman Ken Berndt was the lone devil's advocate among the five or so people who spoke at the meeting, saying residents should restore the building on their own. The Redevelopment Agency, he said, was meant to cure blight, not spend money to restore old build-

to Berkeley's general fund.

Barbara Hillman, president of Berkeley's visitor's bureau, said that while Berkeley has only seen one new hotel in at least 15 years, numerous hotels are popping up in Emeryville, which could pose added competition.

"If we could not only handle commuters during the day but get people coming from San Francisco (on the ferry), it could bring another level of tourism to Berkeley," she said.

ings.

"I think staff would be better put to use to find a site for city hall to get them out of the trailers," he said.

Agency members disagreed, saying that the project could be done as a partnership between it and the community. Agency Chair Gina Brusatori said the redevelopment agency would do little more than fill the gaps for money raised by residents, or found through grants.

"We definitely feel this is a vi-

able project and it's a worthy investment of redevelopment dollars," said Brusatori.

"This is just the first stop," added agency member Letitia Moore to the audience. "Please continue to work with us, or work without us if you have to, to bring more people, more funds and more investments to what is a wonderful community."

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# Schools

FROM PAGE A1

struggled to gain stability amid constant controversy, in a lurch.

But Joe Arenivar, president of the Pittsburg school board, said the board won't keep Wong from leaving. "If he wants to resign, we'll let him go. We don't want someone here who doesn't want to be here."

The Pittsburg school board will vote in a special session today on Wong's request to release him from his three-year contract.

Details of Wong's contract with Albany, including salary, are still under negotiation. The Albany school board will vote on the appointment and Wong's contract in a special session Friday.

With just over 3,000 students, Albany is a marked step down in size and diversity from Pittsburg, where 43 percent of the school district's 9,662 students are Latino, 27 percent are black, 15

percent are white and 4 percent are Asian.

Albany, on the other hand, has a burgeoning Asian population that now reaches 30 percent, while whites account for about 46 percent of the students.

Albany's superintendent, Gary Mills, is retiring next month after two years on the job.

Wong said Albany's involved parents helped lure him to the small but highly regarded district. "What I like about Albany is the level of support that the parents provide to the school district. I'm really excited about being a part of that."

Wong started his career as a math, social studies and vocational education teacher in the Sweetwater Union High School District in south San Diego.

Before taking the superintendent post in Pittsburg, Wong spent three years leading Yuba City schools in Sutter County and three-and-a-half years in a small district in east San Diego County.

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This month, the University of California Athletic Department, in conjunction with the Big C Society, paid tribute to 13 very special student-athletes. Many of these scholars have plans to pursue postgraduate degrees throughout the world, ranging from advanced programs at Oxford and the London School of Economics to research study in economics at the Brookings Institution.

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## Photographer counters stereotypes of small people with his pictures

By Alan Lopez  
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — Ricardo Gil was walking into a store one day, at the same time that a couple was walking out. As usually happens, when people bump into others when they're walking through a door, the couple was a little surprised.

The man kind of jumped back, but the woman, said Gil, gave a look as if she were horrified at seeing the 3-foot-9-inch Albany resident walking through the door.

"The woman, she saw me and she almost jumped out of her shoes," said Gil.

With human nature perhaps inclined to stereotype those who are different, popular culture has only reinforced those stereotypes, said Gil, pointing to Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs as a movie that perpetuates the image of the happy-go-lucky little person.

Then there's people who are just insensitive, for example asking ignorant questions about the size of his bed (it's normal size) or assuming they're angry at the world.

Walking carefully with his cane down his home's outside steps to his garage, Gil showed his weapon against stereotyping dwarves and other little people: a makeshift darkroom, where for about nine years, he's been developing hundreds of pictures depicting his life, with his wife Meg Weber-Gil and his daughter Lili.

"Meg and I live a very joyful life, we have a fantastic time," said Gil, who added that he and his wife face much the same issues facing other couples, such as par-

enting. "A dwarf is just a component of who I am. It's not my whole life in other words."

The black and white photos show his family life: There's his family at the beach, on vacation on a sailboat, at weddings, his wife at a store buying a dress and much more.

There's a self-portrait of Gil he took in a mirror in a public bathroom — his eyes barely peek over the sink. Another self-portrait shows him at what appears to be a wedding, showing him isolated among several average-size people.

Other pictures show trips to the grocery store from his vantage point, as well as the tire of a big-rig truck, that appears to be slightly larger than him. There also are nude shots of him and his wife.

The photos show that his life much like everyone else's, though the vantage point maybe different.

Ricardo was born in New Orleans and as a child and teen-ager lived there and in Puerto Rico. He moved to southern California in 1984, then to the Bay Area in 1986. He moved to Albany in 1992, shortly after marrying his wife in 1991.

He was exposed to art a bit in high school, but it wasn't until later life he wanted to pursue it further, taking photography among other classes, at the California College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland in 1986.

Primarily self-taught, he found he wanted to pursue photography because of the "immediacy" of the image and because he realized he

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could use the camera to tell a story.

"I figured I could not only explore the issues confronting myself as a dwarf man but confront the issues that come up for a dwarf couple and their average stature daughter," said Gil, "and I don't think that's been done."

Shortly after his daughter was born, he started taking his camera everywhere, taking photos of his family at the beach, family functions, at the doctor's office, at parks and in his home.

His wife, Meg, said she felt self-conscious at first when he started showing off his photos, but feels it's important to have positive images of little people in public.

"I can see from the public's response, it's really important he's doing this work and that it has a documentary quality to it," said Weber-Gil who is a teacher at the East Bay Waldorf School in El Sobrante. "Rarely do you see photos of little people living their lives like all people do. I find his photos moving and there's humor in some. Just the way he shows his viewpoint is interesting and to me it's refreshing. Rarely do we get



STEVE MASLANKA/STAFF

**ALBANY PHOTOGRAPHER** Ricardo Gil will display photographs on the theme of being small at Sunday's Taste of Albany gala. Gil and his wife are both dwarves

to see our viewpoint."

Gil has done about 19 solo and group exhibitions, including one that will take place at the Albany Spring Festival on Sunday, June 2. Call the Albany Chamber of Commerce at 510-525-1771 for more information.

The family was one of three profiled for a documentary called "Little People Big Lives" that airs occasionally on public television. Gil and Weber-Gil said the doc-

umentary and photos have promoted a lot of positive feedback. Gil said people have told him his photos were eye-opening and they had never seen anything like it.

"With such supportive and encouraging remarks like that, I have to continue going on working," said Gil.

Gil's work can be seen on his Web site at [www.ricardogil.com](http://www.ricardogil.com).

### Albany Education Foundation receives school grant

The Albany Education Foundation has reported receiving of \$14,839.66 in block grants for the school year.

The block grants of \$3,190 for digital equipment for each Albany school district for a musician's class at Albany High School, to the high school's program for improving Cougar Field.

Special grants are to help with transportation, \$500 needed for junior and senior education guide, \$500 for secondary school music, \$500 for Gregor High School's yearbook, \$700 for Middle School for a drop, \$815 to the department at Albany awards, pins and Awards Day and Albany High for following.

The Albany Education Foundation was founded to provide additional students in the Albany School District. It has special and block grants for Foundation awarded to minigrants and has fully funded 98 field.

In reporting the Foundation thanks the community for providing that make the grant Tax-deductible contributions be made to the Albany Foundation, 1320 Suite 203, Albany, Ca



DEAN COPPOLA/STAFF

### Sidewalk sights

Above, boxes of pastel chalk could be found all along Solano Avenue during the sixth annual Sidewalk Chalk Art Festival last weekend. Chalk artists young and old decorated the sidewalks along Solano Avenue in Albany and Berkeley. "Apache," a 2-year-old female pitbull mix wears a white pant suit with a guitar to honor Elvis during a dog fashion show at Sunday's festivities on on Solano. "Apache" is available for adoption by calling Dogs by Dianne at 510-236-0588. The event was part of the sixth annual Chocolate and Chalk Art Festival.



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Francisco Candido executed and interpreted York's design.

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Rich Brazilian cherry floors and lovely wood windows render a warmth that blends splendidly with the bold architecture and creative color palette.

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This home is offered at \$1,899,000 and will be open this Sunday from 2 to 4:30 p.m. For further details, please call Mary Neuberger at Wells & Bennett Realtors, 510-485-7251.



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Oakland	15 Dorothy Pl	\$1,795,000	Open Sat & Sun 2-5pm	4BD/6BA	Bonnie Freitas (925) 997-9062
Oakland	4460 Oak Hill Rd	\$1,125,000	Open Sun 1-4pm	7+BD/4.5BA	Kay Lanway (925) 925-4338

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# A look around the East Bay real estate community

News and information for and about the area real estate community and affiliated industries.

## ATTENTION PUBLIC

### Alameda Inform Meeting

The public is always welcome at the Inform Meeting. The Inform is sponsored by the **Alameda Association of Realtors**. The next meeting begins at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 11. The location is the Garden Isle Community Center on Melrose Avenue in Alameda. This month's speaker is from the Parks Department. Agents are encouraged to bring information on new listings for presentation to the group. For more information contact **Remy Boyd** of AAR at 510-523-7229.

### Building Classes

The Building Education Center in Berkeley provides ongoing classes, lectures and events for the experienced and those new to remodeling and renovation. There are evening classes on weekdays and daytime classes on the weekends. Saturday, June 8 brings "Kitchen Design," a seminar conducted by designer **Beverly Wilson**. "HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning) for Beginners" is a seminar taught by contractor-engineer **Eric Burt** on Thursday, June 8. For more information on classes and costs call the center. Contact **Sydney** at 510-525-7610 or visit the Web site at [bldgeduct.org](http://bldgeduct.org).

### Walls That Talk

The Lawrence Hall of Science, in Berkeley presents "If These Walls Could Talk: An Exhibit About Buildings." The exhibit is scheduled June 1 through Sept. 8. On opening day, visitors are invited to tour the Resource-full Showcase. The Showcase is a presentation of the Alameda County Waste Management Authority and Recycling Board. This traveling Green Building exhibit features over 50 recycled — content building products and construction practices that decrease waste and save money. For information on the "Walls" exhibit contact **Linda Schneider** at 510-643-8980. To find out more about the Showcase call **Lois Clarke** at 510-614-1699.

### Alameda Museum Lectures

From architecture to windows, the Alameda Museum provides lectures for everyone who loves homes. The slide lectures are narrated by prominent Bay Area authors and historians. The museum is located on Alameda Avenue near Park Street in Alameda. Thursday, June 27 is the date of the next lecture in the series. Watch this column for more details or call 510-748-0796 for information.

## Workshops For Everyone

**Karen Ward** of RE Loan Mortgage in Albany is the facilitator for a variety of workshops for the homebuyer. The "Homebuyer Finance" workshop is a review of the overall loan process and covers loan programs, credit reports and lender guidelines. "Home Buyer Basics" is a workshop for first-time buyers with a soup-to-nuts overview of all aspects of homebuying. The "Woman To Woman Workshop" educates women on the basic principles of homebuying. Issues and concerns dealing with women are addressed in "womanspeak." For more information and dates of upcoming workshops contact **Ward** at 510-559-4000.

## JUNE RAFFLE FOR OLB FOUNDATION

The Oakland Association of Realtors' fundraising task force raises money for the Oral Lee Brown Foundation. The foundation helps Realtor Oral Lee Brown keep her promise to Oakland school children, to put them through college. The task force is having a raffle in June. Make a donation \$25 to the OLB Foundation and earn an entry into a drawing for a Palm Pilot. Realtor and task force Chairperson, **Lois Harris** of Prudential California Realty encourages everyone to participate in this worthy endeavor. Contact **Harris** at 510-834-2010.

## LEGISLATIVE DAY

The California Association of Realtors Legislative Day is June 5. This is an opportunity for Realtors throughout the state to meet with legislators in Sacramento. Check with your local association for organized trip information or go to [www.car.org](http://www.car.org).

## BAR NETWORKING LUNCHEON

Attend the Berkeley Association of Realtors monthly, networking luncheon. The next luncheon begins at 12:15 p.m., Wednesday, June 12. The speaker is **Lloyd Kendall, Jr.** on 1031 Exchanges. The Luncheon is held at the BAR Auditorium. Reservations are a must. Contact **Don Clark** at the BAR office for information and reservations at 510-848-4288.

## WANTED COMMERCIAL BROKERS

**Bob Valva** of Valva Realty invites Oakland real estate brokers to attend the Oakland Realtors Commercial & Industrial Brokers Committee. According to Valva the group was appointed years ago, by the Oakland mayor to facilitate city sales and leasing. The

committee's purpose is to help build Oakland. The next meeting is Thursday, June 13, at the OAR Auditorium on Webster. If you would like to attend call **Valva** at 510-451-7317.

## EARN AND LEARN AT OAR

■ "Innovative Marketing Techniques for Buyer's Reps" is scheduled for Friday, June 14. Learn the marketing techniques of the experts, how to generate leads and attract new prospects. This seminar offers six hours of Consumer Protection Credit. Watch this column for more details.

■ The Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR) Basic Designation Course is coming to OAR. Earn this designation in a two-day seminar scheduled on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 25 and 26. Tuition includes the first year dues for membership in REBAC. More details to come.

■ Tuition and attendance information for all OAR educational programs should be addressed to **Mary Williams** of the OAR office at 510-836-3000.

## LICENSE RENEWAL

Renew your real estate license. Attend and earn all 45 DRE credit hours at once. The seminar includes Agency, Ethics, Trust Funds and Fair Housing. The instructor will be "The Real Estate Guys" talk show host, **Charlie Krackeler**. Seminars are held on weekday mornings, in a variety of Bay area locations. For more information about attending to renew your license call 800-54-RENEW.

## "e-BUYER" COURSE

An elective course is being offered by the Real Estate Buyer's Agency Council of the National Association of Realtors. The course called "e-Buyer" is designed to help take the next step after mastering computer and internet basics. REBAC is the awarding body for the ABR (Accredited Buyer's Representative) and ABRM (Accredited Buyer's Representative Manager) designations. To learn more about this six hour course and ABRM designations call 800-648-6224 or visit the Web site at [www.rebac.net](http://www.rebac.net).

## MORTGAGE PROFESSIONALS

The California Association of Residential Lenders (CARL) and the California Association of Mortgage Brokers (CAMB) strive to keep mortgage professionals educated and informed. Both have monthly dinner meetings, with guest speakers discussing timely topics. CARL meetings are held



**ROBBIE REID**  
Credit Worthy

on the second Thursday of the month beginning with networking at 6 p.m. Networking also kicks off each CAMB meeting, held on the fourth Thursday of each month.

■ To find out more call these organization's hotlines. The CARL Hotline is 925-746-1847. The CAMB Hotline is 925-275-2663.

## CARL Golf!

Billed as the "Best Tournament In Town." It's sign up time for the 15th Annual East Bay CARL Golf Tournament. The fun begins at 8 a.m., Monday, June 17. This event is open to lenders, real estate agents and real estate related professionals. For reservations call **Frank Monaco, Jr.** of Consumer Home Loans at 925-833-9066.

## Breakfast Club

Join the lively Wednesday Morning Breakfast Meetings, presented by the California Association of Residential Lenders (CARL). Meetings are held every Wednesday at American Title in Walnut Creek on Olympic boulevard. Start time begins promptly at 8:15 a.m. Breakfast refreshments are served. Need info? Want to recommend a speaker? Call **Pat Johnson** of TRI Commercial Real Estate Services at 925-296-3300.

## WHO'S ON FIRST?

■ What's cooking? Love cookbooks? Buy a copy of Alameda Cooks, a collection of recipes from Realtors and Affiliates from the Island of Alameda. To purchase the book call the **Alameda Association of Realtors** at 510-523-7229.

■ **Patricia Bouie Hinds** is the President-elect for the Women's Council of Realtors East Bay Chapter. Hinds is with Classic Investments. To find out more about WCR call her at 510-834-0702.

## WHAT'S UP DOC??

I need your information for this column. Fund-raisers, meetings, announcements, promotions, designations and change of scenery (company). I want to know it all. Information deadline is two weeks before the event. There are three convenient ways to reach me. Send an email to my new e-mail [bobbiereld@mindspring.com](mailto:bobbiereld@mindspring.com). Fax your info to me at 510-441-7191. Call me at 510-441-7190.

# Do VA loans work here in California

Ask any career military person about the one great benefit that the military offers that few other businesses in the private sector offers and most likely you will hear about VA (Veterans Administration) home loans.

The VA loan was part of the GI bill and the original 100 percent financing loan product that allowed tens of thousands returning soldiers from World War II to realize home ownership with no money down and no closing costs.

## A personal experience

Using Dad's VA eligibility, my parents bought their first home just after I was born in 1951 in one of the new hastily constructed housing tracts that seem to sprout like weeds throughout California.

For about \$7,500, they found a new tiny three-bedroom, two-bath, 1,000-square-foot home. Their payments were less than \$40 per month, which was a good thing.

Dad was still a Marine Corps Master Sergeant assigned to El Toro Marine Corps base in Orange County. His take-home pay wasn't all that great, but the mortgage sure beat paying rent.

## Eligibility

Today, active and retired military would still like to use this wonderful benefit and can if they served on active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard and were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable after either 90 days or more, any part of which occurred during wartime or 181 continuous days or more in peacetime.

There is a 2-year requirement (on the job) if you enlisted and service began after September 7, 1980 or were an officer and service began after October 16, 1981. There are several other eligibility requirements and most military folks know if they have the eligibility to purchase (or refinance) under the VA home loan program.

## California challenge

The problem is, in California urban areas especially, that the

maximum can be not kept up with values. As of 1999, a 100 percent loan increased to \$50,000 more than \$50,000 maximum down payment. Mae or Freddie's 100 percent loan of \$50,000 low a "jumbo" loan at \$300,700 with a down payment.

Another disadvantage we are still experiencing market all up and down California Coast. It is difficult cooperating sellers willing to credit the closing costs when they have 15 to 20 offers for the

## The alternative

There are plenty of alternatives to the VA 100 percent financing program that work well. The piggy-back combination of a first and second loan, is offered by major lenders.

The most common affordable is the second mortgage loan of \$300,700 second loan at \$150,000 the total purchase price of \$450,700 which is more with current offerings. The piggy back loans are a first to \$600,000 with a second to \$200,000.

There are even 100 percent purchase money loans of \$650,000 that allow 4 percent to pay off the loan. The interest is pretty, but it is a way to finance California properties.

**Karen Senzang** is a Mortgage Broker with Montclair Mortgage, a branch, Scott. She can be reached at 510-339-8511 fax 3814; e-mail: [karsenzang@montclairmortgage.com](mailto:karsenzang@montclairmortgage.com). Please contact her for mortgage questions or for discussion.



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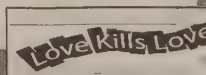
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## Home

FROM PAGE B1

The wonderful integration of indoor and outdoor spaces provide the perfect environs for today's California lifestyle. Hand-crafted metal work, Arts and Crafts hardware and New York designer George Kovacs' light fixtures add to the beauty. The entry greets you with soaring ceilings, rich Brazilian cherry floors with slate and bronze inlay.

To the right of the entry is the living room, boasting 14-foot ceilings with exposed beams and a fabulous hand-crafted slate and mahogany fireplace mantle with

inlaid bronze accents.

Panoramic views of San Francisco, the Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco Bay and Claremont Canyon are dramatically displayed through the large wood framed windows that are the focal point of the room. French doors lead to a huge wrap around slate patio with endless views.

An intimate dining room just off the living room provides the diner with exquisite views.

The home at 1138 Drury Road, in Oakland, will be open this Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

To learn more about the home, offered at \$1,899,000, call Mary Neuberger at Wells and Bennett Realtors at 510-485-7251.

## Of grade, grain and grit

■ A crash course in sandpaper

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY  
AP WEEKLY FEATURES

**Q. Scott asks: Urgent! What is it meant by the term "grade of abrasive paper" and what is meant by the term "raising the grain"?**

**A.** The "grade" (or grit) of abrasive paper (sandpaper) refers to the size of the abrasive particles in the sandpaper. Given the same number of passes and the same amount of pressure, paper with larger particles sands deeper (and rougher) than paper with smaller ones.

A lower number indicates that the grade of the paper is used for rough sanding where a high number indicates the sandpaper is meant for finish sanding.

Generally speaking, 30-grit and 60-grit papers are used for rough sanding, 100-grit to 150-grit sandpaper is for medium sanding and 220-grit sandpaper is used for finish sanding.

Of course, this changes with the type of wood and whether the sanding is done by hand or with a machine. Sanding a soft wood with rough sandpaper could possibly tear the wood fibers (the grain). Sanding perpendicular to the wood fibers also could tear them. When the fibers tear they raise from the surface.

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Another way of causing the grain to raise is to over-wet wood.

The best way to determine what grit to use is to test-sand. Keep in mind that rough grits of sandpaper leave deep scratches, so start with the finer grits (150 to 220) and slowly work up to the rougher grades.

Raising the grain is what painters must contend with after the first coat of paint is applied.

At this point, and once the paint or varnish has dried, the first coat and the raised surface must be smoothed. The second coat of finish usually will not raise the grain.

This is because the wood is protected from absorbing moisture by the previous coat.



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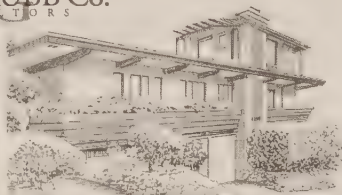
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"House Hunting" is an indispensable interactive workbook

based on the author's popular column, which offers the latest advice on purchasing and selling one's home. Unique in format, House Hunting is a handy workbook designed to be carried along to open houses and meetings with real estate agents, mortgage inspectors, and mortgage brokers. Unlike other books, this one is arranged chronologically in order to offer users practical guidance all along the process, from start to finish.

The book first gets potential homeowners to ask themselves such basic and pertinent questions as "Am I ready for the responsibility of homeownership?" "Do I have job stability?" Next, the book offers guidelines in finding a compatible real estate agent and loan agent, and then simple worksheets to help determine what is realistically affordable. The following

chapter discusses every detail involved in the actual search for the house, condo or townhouse as well as the search for a suitable mortgage type.

A chapter entitled "Negotiations" is next, followed by the "Inspection Process and—Congratulations!—Closing the Deal." Every phase of the process is examined, with helpful prompts, checklists, and sample questions and contracts provided along the way.

Extremely user-friendly, "House Hunting" eliminates all the guesswork and provides the first-time and anytime buyer insider knowledge so that he or she will be aware of all options and confident of their decisions.

For repeat buyers, a final chapter examines selling one's home at the same time as buying. Speaking from first-hand experi-

ence gained from brokering over 500 transactions representing both buyers and sellers, the author offers only the most essential advice, much of it culled from her popular nationally syndicated column and her 25 years of experience with Coldwell Banker.

"House Hunting" will help new and veteran homeowners ask appropriate questions at the right time of the proper people so that the entire experience is everything it should be—a joyous, rewarding landmark occasion.

Dian Hymer is a veteran real estate broker, and Coldwell Banker's top agent for the past two years in the Bay Area.

Her column, which regularly appears in the Hills Newspapers real estate section, has been gaining in popularity since its debut 10 years ago.



the take-along workbook for home buyers

## Coldwell Banker launches ground-breaking Web site

empowers home buyers and sellers by making all MLS listings in the local area

**COLDWELL BANKER**  
Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage of Northern California announced the launch of a consumer-based Web site that will be the first local site to showcase all listings posted on Northern California's nine Multiple Listing Services.

The new Web site, CaliforniaMoves.com, will provide consumers with an inventory of more than 200,000 homes listed for sale in the region. Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage of Northern California is the first local brokerage to launch a Web site of this type, joining the Multiple Listing Service's transformed the real es-

tate industry, so, too, will broker reciprocity (also known as Internet Data Exchange or IDX) — a new national policy that requires the Multiple Listing Services (MLS) provide a means for brokers to share property listings with other brokers on Web sites. With IDX, MLS's provide their brokers with technology to help them not only display their own listings but also those of competing brokers as well.

The cutting-edge technology of CaliforniaMoves.com empowers buyers, sellers and Coldwell Banker sales associates with one of the real estate industry's most advanced and convenient home shopping and marketing tools. Prospective buyers can receive e-mail notifications of newly listed homes that meet their property search criteria, search "comparables" of homes in neighborhoods

throughout the United States and create an open home tour (with driving directions from and returning to their starting point) — all with the click of a computer mouse and from the convenience of their own home.

Additional features of the Web site include:

- A "Just Listed Alert" service which sends e-mail notification to the client when a new listing matches the buyer's search criteria

- Information on recent home sales in any neighborhood throughout the United States

- The ability for consumers to save their frequently used property search criteria and to e-mail a listing straight from the Web site

- Complete demographic and community information on the entire Northern California region (from Monterey to Tahoe), including details on museums and gal-

leries, performance halls, sports and recreation, transportation and other city-specific information

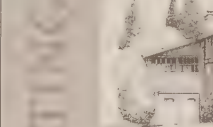
- Virtual tours, virtual brochures and printable property flyers

- Online mortgage calculator and other financial tools, including a rent vs. buy calculator, affordability calculator and a refinance calculator

- Sales associate and branch office profiles Statistics compiled by the California Association of Realtors show that Californian buyers and sellers use more technology than in any other part of the country. In Northern California alone, nearly 70 percent of homebuyers begin their real estate search online. More than 30 percent of those online home seekers first saw the home that they ultimately purchased on the Internet.

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Offered at \$489,000

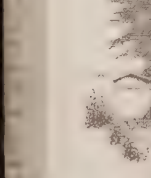
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Offered at \$730,000

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### Crocker Highlands • Open Sunday • June 2 • 2 to 5



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## LAFAYETTE

OPEN SUNDAY June 2nd

1-4:00 PM



#### 3316 Las Huertas Rd.

Timeless beauty in this rare and stunning all brick home on over 1/2 acre, level, private lot. 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 4 fireplaces including detached guest house. Remodeled gourmet kitchen & baths. Many upgrades with marble, newer dual paned French doors and more! Near schools, trails, easy commute.

Offered at \$1,285,00

Vicki Nakamura (925) 708.1915

Tour at VickiNakamura.com

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### 227 Florida St. Open Sunday, June 2nd, 2-5

\$399,000

Scrumptious Mediterranean  
Laurel District



- Charming 3 bedroom home full of warmth and love.
- Beautifully maintained: new roof, new bath.
- Large, wonderful fenced-in garden.
- Full basement.
- Lovely architectural details.
- Special, well loved, friendly & peaceful street.

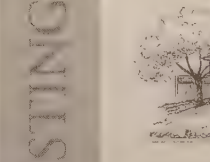
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#### 5820 Balmoral Drive, Hillcrest Highlands

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## WEEKLY SALES

## ALAMEDA

1505 Alameda Av - \$410,000  
331 Anderson Rd - \$713,000  
129 Basinside Wy - \$600,000  
204 Brighton Ct - \$520,000  
625 Centre Ct - \$308,000  
1401 Cottage St #B - \$305,000  
27 Lavagetto Ct - \$631,000  
3105 Marina Dr - \$640,000  
1312 Mound St - \$332,500  
1209 Otis Dr - \$520,000  
2701 Otis Dr - \$419,000  
2438 Roosevelt Dr - \$515,000  
1027 Tobago Ln - \$335,000  
1648 Versailles Av - \$600,000  
1305 Webster #C105 - \$155,000  
1612 Wood St - \$425,000

## ALBANY

834 Evelyn Av - \$416,000

## BERKELEY

1618 Berkeley Wy - \$500,000  
1604 Chestnut St - \$540,000  
999 Colorado Av - \$615,000  
1314 Cornell Av - \$500,000  
1152 Laurel St - \$2,250,000  
1320 Ordway #D - \$306,000  
1540 Prince St - \$579,000  
1645 Prince St - \$530,000  
1234 Russell St - \$232,000  
2153 Sacramento - \$355,000

## EL CERRITO

241 Colusa Av - \$445,000  
732 Geiston Pl - \$695,000  
1603 Liberty St - \$299,500  
7415 Terrace Dr - \$450,000  
8763 Terrace Dr - \$600,000

## EL SOBRANTE

4172 Garden Rd - \$329,000  
3430 S P Dam Rd #13 - \$156,500

## EMERYVILLE

6 Admiral Dr #483 - \$540,000

## KENSINGTON

188 Highland Bl - \$526,000  
37 Highland Bl - \$550,000

## OAKLAND

1455 100th Av - \$160,000  
2115 104th Av - \$240,000  
1808 15th Av - \$160,000  
1717 16th Av - \$400,000  
516 32nd St - \$210,000  
1629 41st Av - \$250,000  
865 47th Av - \$397,000  
201 4th St #404 - \$440,000  
201 4th St #405 - \$315,000  
854 54th Av - \$140,000  
1941 5th Av - \$187,000  
2721 60th Av - \$289,000  
971 62nd St - \$290,000  
443 65th St - \$260,000  
1260 75th Av - \$240,000  
1292 76th Av - \$210,000  
1502 77th Av - \$345,000

1651 78th Av - \$210,000  
2335 7th Av - \$555,000  
2037 81st Av - \$240,000  
1938 88th Av - \$245,000  
1906 89th Av - \$215,000  
111 Alvarado Rd - \$1,104,000  
865 Athens Av - \$275,000  
1066 Bayview Av - \$310,000  
5442 Broadway - \$576,000  
9248 C St - \$265,000  
9614 C St - \$300,000  
320 Caldecott #128 - \$330,000  
260 Caldecott #313 - \$353,000  
4200 Coolidge Av - \$551,500  
10509 Creekside Cr - \$245,000  
8912 D St - \$100,000  
201 Duncan Wy - \$602,000  
1375 East 28th St - \$130,000  
1060 Elmhurst Av - \$220,000  
4240 Gregory St - \$503,000  
8806 Hillside St - \$287,500  
1386 Holman Rd - \$590,000  
1317 International - \$406,000  
2644 La Cuesta Av - \$603,000  
1555 Lakeside #24 - \$270,000  
320 Lee St #604 - \$258,500  
320 Lee St #606 - \$260,000  
1850 Leimert Bl - \$920,000  
325 Lenox Av #309 - \$189,000  
3624 Loma Vista - \$300,000  
3049 Lynde St - \$270,000  
9819 Lyndhurst St - \$190,000  
3058 MacArthur Bl - \$225,000  
9844 Maddux Dr - \$260,000  
3147 Madera Av - \$325,000  
1 Maggiora Dr - \$450,000  
695 Mariposa #304 - \$310,000

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**ALAMEDA**  
43 CAPTAIN DR. SOLD  
3 Bdrm/2 1/2 Bath \$549,000.

**SAN LEANDRO**  
14321 SEAGATE DR. PENDING  
3 Bdrm/2 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$360,000

**14390 OUTRIGGER DR.** PENDING  
2 Bdrm/2 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$360,000

**14646 OUTRIGGER DR.** PENDING  
3 Bdrm/2 1/2 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$335,000

**13723 SEAGATE DR.** PENDING  
2 Bdrm/2 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$335,000

**14015 OUTRIGGER DR.** PENDING  
2 Bdrm/1 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$335,000

**14174 OUTRIGGER DR.** PENDING  
3 Bdrm/2 1/2 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$335,000

**14513 FLAGSHIP DR.** SOLD  
2 Bdrm/2 1/2 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$335,000

**14629 SEAGATE DR.** PENDING  
2 Bdrm/2 1/2 Bath, Marina Seagate w/attached 2-car garage. \$335,000

**1400 CARPENTER ST. #115** PENDING  
2 BD/2 BA, walk to BART + transp \$249,000

**2507 GALLEON PLACE** PENDING  
3 BD/2 1/2 BA, Marina Seagate. \$335,000

**SAN LORENZO** SOLD  
3 BD/2 BA - \$369,000

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**4840 Proctor Ave., Upper Glenview**  
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*New Listing!*

Open Sunday, June 2, 2-4:30pm



**3465 Brunell Drive, Oakland**

Views from almost every room! Located on a quiet street in a treed setting, this sunny level-in home offers 4BR/3BA. Main level includes a spacious living room, dining room, eat-in kitchen, 3BR/2BA. Lower level consists of a huge rumpus room, bedroom & bath. Bridge views from both levels, 2 fireplaces. Interior just painted, new carpet, 2-car garage.



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**\$579,000**

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**5975 Manchester Dr. Claremont Pines**

This spectacular 4,800 square foot home looks onto unobstructed views of the Bay, bridges and city from all levels. Four bedroom suites, a state-of-the-art kitchen and entertainment room w/wet bar complete this custom built home. Offered at \$2,300,000

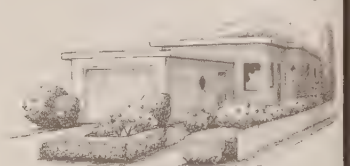


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*New Listing!*

Open Sunday, June 2, 2-4:30pm



**5814 Fresno Avenue, Richmond Annex**

Very sweet starter home on great Richmond Annex street. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, beautiful gardens, hardwood floors, attached garage.

**Offered at \$289,000**



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**JUST SOLD!**

**REDWOOD HEIGHTS**  
3116 JORDAN ROAD

Spacious 4BR/2.5BA with family room, den & library.  
Listed for \$579,000  
Sold for \$653,000 "as-is"



**LAUREL DISTRICT**  
3664 LILY STREET

Charming 2BR/1BA with family room.  
Listed for \$359,000  
Sold for \$395,000

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- M. Recknor  
- C. Glanzer

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**OPEN HOUSES**

Sunday, June 2 • 2 to 4:30

**FABULOUS REMODELED MEDITERRANEAN**  
3924 Patterson Ave. \$429,000



Beautifully Remodeled, 2+ Bedroom/1+ Bath. Large Backyard. Dining Room Opens to New Deck.

**GREAT REMODELED BUNGALOW**  
833 47th St. \$339,000

Commuter's Dream Location in Up and Coming North Oakland Neighborhood.  
2+ Bedroom/1 Bath.  
Large Kitchen with Attached Dining Area.  
Huge Backyard.

**LAKE MERRITT TRIPLEX**

464 - 468 Newton Ave. \$549,000

Each Unit is 2 Bedrooms/1 Bath.  
Spacious Living Room.  
Formal Dining Area.  
Two Units Have Lake Views.

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The best of both worlds... don't miss this wonderful building with two commercial spaces & four residential units. Building to be delivered VACANT. List price \$785,000.

**2615 Bayfront Court, Marina Bay - Open Sunday 2-4**

Quiet gated community near Marina Seashore Trails. A desirable 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse with cathedral ceilings, skylight, fireplace, patio and private yard. Swimming pool/spa. Attached garage with additional reserved parking space. Great commute, easy access for Marin or SF. \$339,000

**300 Gravatt Drive, Claremont Hills**

Two great lots with flat building area on a knoll. The views span the bay, the sunsets mesmerize. Neighborhood houses have sold for \$2M+. Close to highways, shopping and BART. Available separate (\$600,000 each) or together for \$1,200,000.



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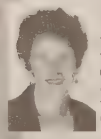
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**607 Beloit Avenue, Kensington**

OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30. This stunning home is located close to Tilden Park and has 3 bedrooms, beautifully updated kitchen plus spacious family room. Offered at \$695,000



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**OAKLAND**

OPEN SAT & SUN 2-4. 444 MERRITT AVE. 102. NEW LISTING IN CHINA HILL. Spacious (approx. 1550 sqft) 3+ bedroom, 2 full bath condo. Offers convenient living with a spectacular view of China Hill. \$375,000. ALWAYS WORKING FOR YOU! Kelko McDonald, 510-522-4449

2317 HIGH ST. RARE 2 UNITS! With 2 garages (new roll up auto door w/sensor). Each unit has a fireplace & inside laundry. Separate gas, water & electric meters. \$375,000. Moon Tam, 510-747-1620.

COMING JUNE 8 & 9. MAXWELL PARK TREE LINED STREET. 4 bedrooms. 2 updated baths, remodeled kitchen, sun porch and much more. \$389,000. ALWAYS WORKING FOR YOU! Kelko McDonald, 510-522-4449.

291 ATHOL AVE. GRAND HOME. 3 bedroom, 1 bath centrally located to Lake Merritt, shopping & transportation. Freshly painted & carpeted and in move-in condition. For added bonus, there is a 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage perfect for home office, separately metered for gas/electric and could help with monthly mortgage. \$489,000. Realtor4Info.com, Kelko McDonald, 510-748-1177.

2150 SAND DOLLAR DR. IN MARINA BAY. 3 bedroom, 3 bath Tiburon model. Largest model at Bay Front. Dramatic vaulted ceilings, park views, sunny patio off kitchen. \$388,000. Michael Studebaker, 877-865-2279.

12951 NEPTUNE DR. ON BAY. 3.5 baths, all new kitchen, dining room, a great view. Rush Mascone, 510-748-1101.

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**NEW LISTING • OPEN SUNDAY • 2-5**

**Three Bedroom, Two Bath**  
**Maxwell Park Beauty with**  
**Panoramic Bay Views**  
 This two-story home has been completely  
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 carpeted inside and outside, brand new  
 kitchen with maple cabinets, granite  
 counters and beautiful fir floors. Bright and  
 airy this refurbished home has many  
 wood windows and French doors and a  
 private office/studio which opens onto a  
 stunning landscaped backyard.

**5253 Trask Ave.,**  
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**360 Market Av - \$181,500**  
 5944 Park Av - \$360,000  
 765 Point Pinole Ct - \$414,000  
 1013 Ridgeview Dr - \$535,000  
 1016 Ridgeview Dr - \$511,000  
 1456 S'piper Spit - \$320,000  
 2405 Virginia Av - \$420,000  
 1415 York St - \$175,000

**SAN LORENZO**  
 1763 143rd Av - \$330,000  
 2020 167th Av - \$289,000  
 247 Accolade Dr - \$407,000  
 439 Alvarado St - \$241,000  
 710 Arbor Dr - \$479,000  
 1588 Benedict Dr - \$450,000  
 190 Best Av - \$310,000  
 1749 Boxwood Av - \$346,000  
 1400 Carpenter #227 - \$200,000  
 1400 Carpenter #240 - \$245,000  
 834 Cary Dr - \$450,000  
 16839 Clinton Av - \$226,000  
 2015 Constitution - \$505,000  
 27 Dorchester Av - \$300,000  
 14947 Fjord St - \$450,000  
 833 Hollyhock Dr - \$420,000  
 1907 Joan Dr - \$280,000  
 687 Juana Av - \$475,000  
 2216 Kestrel Ct - \$400,000  
 2219 Kingfisher Ct - \$262,500  
 1018 Kramer St - \$360,000  
 3740 Lamoureux St - \$357,500  
 16321 Mateo St - \$302,000  
 736 Matoza Ln - \$500,000  
 15095 Norton St - \$353,000  
 2219 Oceanside Wy - \$520,000  
 2307 Pacific View - \$515,000  
 160 Peralta Av - \$295,000  
 16303 Ria Dr - \$330,000  
 2321 Sitka St - \$355,000  
 181 Sunnyside Dr - \$348,000  
 471 Superior Av - \$363,000  
 1398 Vining Dr - \$370,000  
 2007 West Av 133rd - \$308,000  
 564 West Merle Ct - \$315,000

**ALAMEDA**  
 TOTAL SALES: 21  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$155,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,300,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$510,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$515,833

**ALBANY**  
 TOTAL SALES: 1  
 PRICE: \$416,000

**BENICUE**  
 TOTAL SALES: 10  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$232,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$2,250,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$640,700

**EL CERRITO**  
 TOTAL SALES: 5  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$299,500  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$695,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$450,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$497,900

**EL SOBRANTE**  
 TOTAL SALES: 2  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$156,500  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$329,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$242,750

**EMERYVILLE**  
 TOTAL SALES: 1  
 PRICE: \$540,000

**KENSINGTON**  
 TOTAL SALES: 2  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$526,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$550,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$538,000

**OAKLAND**  
 TOTAL SALES: 81  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$100,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$2,358,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$310,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$401,401

**PIEDMONT**  
 TOTAL SALES: 4  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$1,025,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$4,000,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$1,808,750

**RICHMOND**  
 TOTAL SALES: 28  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$150,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$535,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$297,893

**SAN LEANDRO**  
 TOTAL SALES: 35  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$200,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$520,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$353,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$361,629

**SAN LUIS OBISPO**  
 TOTAL SALES: 3  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$328,500  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$420,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$370,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$372,833

**Don't miss this week's**  
**Open Home Guide on**  
**page B15.**

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**869 Frestle Glen Rd. Crocker Highlands**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30. Spacious and gracious in  
 Crocker Highlands. Four "plus" bedrooms, two and  
 one half baths, sun-filled rooms rich in architectural  
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**A Rare Combination! - Open Sunday, June 2, 2-4 pm**

**1731 FRANCISCO STREET, BERKELEY**

This compound offers that rare combination of  
 location, architectural style and flexible living  
 arrangements you've been seeking. Brown shingle  
 duplex plus single family home on one parcel just  
 moments from the best dining, shopping & trans-  
 portation. Duplex has: 4 BR including master suite  
 upstairs; 3BR/2BA downstairs. Secluded home has  
 2+BR/2BA, lovely garden. Perfect for co-housing!

**Offered At \$1,200,000**



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**JUST LISTED - OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30**  
**Montclair View Home**




**1969 Drake Drive**  
 Enjoy sweeping views of SE,  
 downtown Oakland, the SF Bay,  
 3 bridges, Mt. Tamalpais and  
 beyond. Built in 1999, this 4  
 bedroom, 3 bath Contemporary  
 has a gourmet granite kitchen,  
 master suite with view &  
 spa tub, two fireplaces,  
 family room off the kitchen.

**Offered at \$989,000**

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 Classic Stucco Duplex  
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**442 60th Street**  
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**Sweet Bungalow with a Huge Park-like Yard**

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**1939 Napa, Berkeley**  
**Just Listed! Open Sun., 2-4.** Glorious & utterly charming 2-story 1918 Arts & Crafts style shingle. Classic wood details in living room & formal dining room. Kitchen opens to spacious family room and level yard. 2 fireplaces. 3 bdrms, 2.5 baths & fun "plus" spaces. A jewel! Offered at \$795,000. **Denise Milburn x35**



**1511 Marin, Albany**  
**Just Listed! Open Sun., 2-4.** Spacious 4 bdrm, 2 bath traditional 2-story home in excellent condition. Formal dining room, large eat-in kitchen, 2-car garage, level backyard. 1 block to Solano Ave. shops. Offered at \$635,000. **Jane Allen x23**



**80 Hazel, Berkeley**  
**Open Sun., 2-4.** Edwin Lewis Snyder designed this Mediterranean home for a pianist in 1940. Large, elegant living room, gracious dining room. Original kitchen. Bedroom & baths on main floor. 2 bdrms, 1 bath up. Super location. Offered at \$795,000. **Maya Trilling x18**



**1124 Hillview Rd., Berkeley**  
**Open Sun., 2-4.** 4 bdrm, 3 bath Park Hills classic nestled into a flowering hillside garden. Spacious rooms provide easy access to outdoors. Generous living room has beamed ceiling & lovely views in 3 directions. The master bdrm & bath occupy their own private wing. \$635,000. **Barbara Conheim x28**



**765 San Diego, Berkeley**  
**Open Sun., 2-4.** Spacious 1949 Colonial styled 4+ bdrm, 4 bath North Berkeley view home. Serene & tranquil, yet minutes to parks, the Gourmet Ghetto & Solano Ave. amenities! Offered at \$875,000. **Warren Lei x14**



**803 Buchanan, Albany**  
**Open Sun., 2-4:30.** Beyond the front door you'll find an elegant spacious updated 2 bdrm, 1 bath house w/good light, dual pane windows, & charming arch details. The private patio garden is divine! Pt. Isabel Shoreline, a bike path along the Bay & Solano Ave. are all close by. Offered at \$379,000. **Norah Brower x26**



**280 Caldecott Ln., #103, Oakland**  
**Just Listed! By Appointment.** Beautiful "Montclair" 2 bdrm, 2 bath on quiet side of complex. Many upgrades including hwdwd floors & customized kitchen cabinets. In newer complex with many amenities. Offered at \$345,000. **Denise Milburn x35**



**2201 Virginia, Berkeley**  
**Just Listed! Open Sun., 2-4.** One bedroom condo, fresh paint, new blinds, move-in condition! 3rd floor, southeast corner, views! Great for Cal student, staff. Offered at \$275,000. **Jean Auka x16**

**108 Forest Lane, Berkeley**  
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570 Neilson. Fairly new 2BR/1BA home. Coveted, tree-lined Solano Ave. Walk to bus. **Morgan (510) 845-0200**

★ **Open Sun. 2-4:30 \$849,000**  
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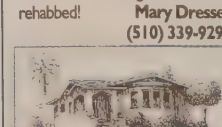
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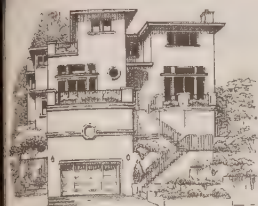
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1480 GRANDVIEW DR.,  
 OAKLAND/BERKELEY HILLS.....\$2,599,000

Custom Mediterranean, four-bridge view,  
 gourmet kitchen, formal living, dining, home  
 theatre, 5BR/4-BA, well-appointed  
 master suite, 2 private courtyards, new  
 imported doors; quality throughout. Open  
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40 AGNES ST.,  
 UPPER ROCKRIDGE.....\$1,195,000

Entertain in style! 4BR/3BA Contemporary  
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JOAQUIN MILLER HEIGHTS.....\$997,500

4BR/3BA, 4-bridge view, gourmet kitchen/family  
 room combo, formal living & dining, fabulous  
 oversized master suite.  
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1969 DRAKE DR.,  
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Move right in & enjoy expansive views of SF Bay,  
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 kitchen/family room, formal dining, two fireplaces,  
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5476 PROCTOR AVE.,  
 UPPER ROCKRIDGE.....\$729,000  
 Traditional charm! 3+BR/2BA w/updated eat-in kitchen  
 opening to a sunny deck & garden, updated baths  
 w/newer fixtures, family room. Open Sunday.

Michael Thompson..... 510.339.4700



#3 THE SHORTCUT,  
 BERKELEY.....\$610,000  
 Level 1950s style all large rooms plus rec room  
 3BR/2BA. In great shape. Open Sunday

Diane Verducci..... 510.486.1495



2108 DRAKE DR.,  
 MONTCLAIR.....\$495,000  
 3+BR/2BA Contemporary Vaulted ceilings, updated  
 kitchen, bonus/family room, many more upgrades,  
 wooded views, enclosed carport. Open Sunday.

Victor Ratto..... 510.339.4700



2640 CALIFORNIA,  
 BERKELEY.....\$1,000,000  
 Private enclave - serene & exciting  
 room floorplan, 2BR/1BA 1+1/2 baths  
 included, 1 car garage, studio or office space.

Rita Zwierling..... 510.339.4700

## OPEN SATURDAY



741-743 HILGERT CIRCLE, HADDON HILL.....\$859,000  
 Sunday 1-4 Handsome 5-pk in convenient location! Nice natural light, inviting outlook  
 Ruby Ng/Karen Lum..... 510.339.4700

## FIRST OPEN

10 ORMINDALE CT., MONTCLAIR.....\$875,000  
 Sunday 2-4:30 Architecturally designed/light-filled Contemporary w/gourmet kitchen, granite, HWF, master suite, 2  
 FP, 4BR/2.5BA.  
 Lydia Nayo..... 510.339.4700

4047 BARNER, LINCOLN HEIGHTS.....\$535,000  
 Sunday 2-5 Beautiful vu home. 1st time ever on market! Split-level, dramatic & spacious. Gorgeous HWF, level yard.  
 3+BR/1.25BA.  
 Rachel Baller..... 510.339.4700

2118 CARLETON ST., BERKELEY.....\$425,000  
 Sunday 2-4:30. Bungalow style home w/formal DR, hardwood floors throughout, 3BR/1BA, a 1 car garage & nice  
 yard. Near Berkeley Bowl.  
 Kim Marienthal..... 510.486.1495

## OPEN SUNDAY

808 ARLINGTON, BERKELEY.....\$1,035,000  
 Sunday 2-4:30. Updated Mediterranean w/ Golden Gate & Bay Bridge views. 4BR/3.5BA, formal living & dining  
 rooms, large rec. room, master suite & level back yard.  
 Victor Fierro..... 510.339.4700

6752 SOBRANTE RD., MONTCLAIR.....\$759,000  
 Sunday 2-4:30. 1988 Contemporary with pizzazz! Soaring ceilings and well-placed windows create a great  
 indoor/outdoor feeling. Larger lot, exceptional yard! FDR, kitchen/family room combo, office, FP, 3BR/2.5BA, 2-car  
 garage.  
 Karen Lum..... 510.339.4700

2636 CAMINO LENADA, PIEDMONT PINES.....\$625,000  
 Sunday 2-4:30. Cape Cod charm, classic, cook's kitchen, family room, 2 fireplaces, 2BR/2BA,  
 fabulous garden! Walk to school.  
 Ruby Ng/Karen Lum..... 510.339.4700

5125 SIMONI DR., EL SOBRANTE.....\$585,000  
 Sunday 1-4 Totally remodeled after fire 4BR/3BA, family room w/FP, living room w/FP formal dining, eat-in kitchen,  
 level yard, new roof.  
 Phyllis Wherry..... 510.339.4700

## LOTS

7089 ELVERTON.....\$299,000  
 Spectacular frontage, great views, design review approved plans  
 David Eckert..... 510.339.4700

## BUYER NEEDS

In the Berkeley or Oakland Hills, 4BR/2BA home up to \$1,200,000.

Please call Josh Whitmer.....

Piedmont or Montclair area. Minimum 3BR/1BA, some level yard, up to \$1,000,000.

Please call Maura Allen.....

Preferably in Berkeley Hills & Thousand Oaks area. 4BR/2BA home up to \$700,000.

Please call Kim & Barbara Marienthal.....

Light-filled contemporary in Berkeley. 3BR/2BA plus garden. Up to \$1,000,000.

Please call Nadine Ooi.....

Edmond/Lafayette School. 3+BR/2BA, sunny yard, fixer-upper. Up to \$700,000.

Please call Sarah Shankman.....

Rockridge or No. Berkeley. 2BR or more Craftsman or classic bungalow up to \$500,000.

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**74 DUDLEY AVENUE** \$1,195,000  
50's contemporary in Upper Piedmont w/space & privacy. 4BR/3BA, library, rumpus & gym. Huge deck & garden. Great outdoor living spaces. Carin Caroe



**455 MOUNTAIN AVENUE** \$1,085,000  
The home you have been waiting for. Warm traditional w/lots of space. 5BR/3BA, den, rumpus room & country kitchen. Sandra Vogl



**1121 RANLEIGH WAY** \$629,000  
Elegant & sophisticated w/updated kitchen & bath, hardwood floors, French doors open to a delightful level garden & patio. 2BR/1BA. A real jewel. Elizabeth Dickson

## PIEDMONT - BY APPOINTMENT

**MAGNIFICENT ESTATE** \$4,895,000  
Gorgeous 5+acre property nestled in the Piedmont hills. Play tennis on the new championship tennis court or simply enjoy the flora & fauna. Anian Pettit Tunney

**MEDITERRANEAN GEM** \$1,860,000  
Mediterranean showcase w/expansive gardens, European kitchen, sumptuous master retreat. The perfect place for comfort & harmony. Sandra Vogl

**PIEDMONT TRADITIONAL** \$949,000  
Gracious traditional located on a charming cul-de-sac, this lovely home has 3+BR/2.5BA & a designer kitchen & inviting garden. Elizabeth Dickson

**PIEDMONT TRADITIONAL** \$819,000  
(Circa 1914) two story traditional w/3++BR/1.5BA, office off entry & family room. Beautiful detailing & hardwood floors. Linda McClain

**PIEDMONT TRADITIONAL** \$799,000  
Fabulous Palm Drive Piedmont traditional near Wildwood School. 3+BR/1++BA, level front & back garden. Sunny & bright eat-in kitchen. Debbi DiMaggio

**SUNNY PIEDMONT HOME** \$675,000  
Sunny Piedmont home surrounded by a spacious garden. Huge basement with workshop and office. Two car garage w/ample storage. Erika Celestre

## BERKELEY & KENSINGTON - OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

**186 HILLCREST ROAD** \$989,000  
Ratcliff English on double lot in coveted neighborhood. Architectural treasure updated w/new bathrooms, great closets & eat-in kitchen. 4+BR/3BA, 3 car garage. Katherine Cooper

**1182 MILLER AVENUE** \$925,000  
Early Edward Levitch design. Rich contemporary. Spacious & exciting 3+BR/2.5BA in a gorgeous private setting with captivating San Francisco view! Ruth Frassetto

**86 HILLCREST ROAD** \$775,000  
Charming, sunny Claremont traditional w/4BR/2BA. Large living room with Bay view + built-ins. Hardwood floors throughout. Carolyn Jones



**1520 CEDAR STREET** \$619,000  
Striking architect remodeled kitchen! Family room w/media center! Master suite w/sitting room. Dining room w/built-ins. 3+BR/2BA + office. Lush gardens. Chris Cohn

**30 PARNASSUS ROAD** \$649,000  
Exquisite eyrie w/breathtaking Bay view! Dramatic open design w/French doors to decks looking west. Great privacy! 3BR/2BA. Tricia Swift

**607 BELOIT AVENUE** \$695,000  
KENSINGTON. Stunning contemporary near Tilden Park! Beautiful updated kitchen and baths plus spacious family room. Linda Wolan

**1038 SHATTUCK AVENUE** \$649,000  
Best of North Berkeley. This Prairie style home is conveniently located close to Gourmet Ghetto. 3BR/1.5BA + in-law potential. Linda Wolan

**1455 ARCH STREET** \$595,000  
Next to Temple Beth El & close to Berkeley Rose Garden & Chez Panisse! 2++ BR/1.5BA, move in condition! Must See! Annie Walrand

## BERKELEY - BY APPOINTMENT

**BERKELEY COMPOUND** \$2,495,000  
Gated park-like setting. Extensively renovated. Includes 3+BR/3.5BA main house, two 1BR apts. Meditation studio + extra lot. Extraordinary property! Susie Schevill

**STUNNING VIEWS!** \$2,195,000  
Claremont Hills. Brand new w/4 bridge view, privacy, elegant & stylish spaces for today's lifestyle. Large terraces, fabulous master suite. Debra J. Dryden

**BERKELEY TUDOR** \$899,000  
Wonderful Tudor, rich with character & architectural detail. 4BR/1.5BA, fabulous living room & professionally terraced garden. Ruth Frassetto

**ELMWOOD CRAFTSMAN** \$840,000  
Built in 1910, this wonderful property is situated close to College Ave. shopping. 4+BR/2BA + detached studio. Susie Schevill



**NORTH BERKELEY HILLS** \$635,000  
COMING SOON. Architect's own home w/3BR + studio/guest quarters. The landscaped lot offers privacy & a secluded inner courtyard. A striking design. Bebe McRae

**CRAFTSMAN BUNGALOW** \$550,000  
Exquisite Thousand Oaks Craftsman bungalow. 2BR/1BA w/original detailing & beautifully remodeled kitchen opening to sunny garden. Near Solano Ave. Ron Eggheman

**PARISIAN ELEGANCE** \$429,000  
Classic architecture remodeled BA & modern kitchen! This approx. 1400 sq. ft. 2-story condo is perfect for gatherings. 2 blocks to UC & minutes from Gourmet Ghetto. Chris Cohn

**BERKELEY VICTORIAN** \$439,000  
Handsome Victorian, nicely restored. Cook's kitchen 2+BB/2BA. Large in-law unit w/separate entrance. Attic expansion potential. Annie Walrand

**BERKELEY BUNGALOW** \$549,000  
Kitchen for entertainers & chefs! Lush private garden. French doors. Entertainment deck. Near BART & UC Campus. 2 BR/1BA. Chris Cohn

**HOME AT LAST!** \$329,000  
Lovely updated kitchen & bath, living room w/fireplace, formal dining room, oversized lot w/play area. Detached garage & lots of additional off st. parking. Carolyn Jones

## OAKLAND - OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30 P.M.

**5953 MANCHESTER DRIVE** \$1,825,000  
Beautiful rebuild of 30's Monterey colonial! Fabulous Bay views! 5+BR/4BA, large family room, two-car garage, landscaped gardens! Bebe McRae

**6023 SKYLINE BOULEVARD** \$1,595,000  
Sun-filled Mediterranean. Lovely windows w/sweeping Bay views! Kitchen/family room opens to garden. Media room/office, den & wine room. 4++BR/3BA. Erika Celestre

**83 CASTLE PARK WAY** \$995,000  
Charming Piedmont Pines Bay view home for today's contemporary life-style. Remodeled w/style. 3BR/2BA + sparkling pool & view deck. Privacy galore. Jean Simmons



**5845 AMY DRIVE** \$949,000  
Redesigned throughout. Beautiful kitchen/FR, level out to gardens & patio. Formal dining room, hardwood floors, 5BR/3 full BA, incl master & guest suite. Kurt Buchholz

**4840 PROCTOR AVENUE** \$949,000  
Fabulous Upper Rockridge Mediterranean w/wonderful outdoor spaces. Gorgeous San Francisco views, 4BR/3BA, family room & lovely, luscious gardens. Debbi DiMaggio



**980 SUNNYHILLS ROAD** \$730,000  
A charming home in Crocker Highlands. Fabulous indoor/outdoor living for entertainment. Family room off kitchen. Great architectural detail. Anian Pettit Tunney

**5820 BALMORAL DRIVE** \$719,000  
Stylish & updates! New kitchen for the serious cook. Enjoy the private gardens off the spacious family room. Great master suite. Angela Wei Grubb



**6200 OAKDALE AVENUE** \$350,000  
Stylish, hip and fresh. Serene setting, conveniently located near Mills College. 3BR/2BA plus 2 home offices and 2-car garage. Anne Feste

**607 BELOIT AVENUE** \$695,000  
Stunning contemporary near Tilden Park! Beautiful updated kitchen and baths plus spacious family room. Linda Wolan

## OAKLAND & ORINDA - BY APPOINTMENT

**CLAREMONT PINES** \$2,300,000  
Exquisite custom-built home w/spectacular views. Four bedroom suites & entertainment room. Master craftsmanship & quality detailing throughout. John Karnay

**UNIQUE ESTATE** \$1,945,000  
ORINDA. A unique estate with guest cottage. Handcrafted by artists with exotic woods, tiles and slate. A masterpiece. Mavis Delacroix



**STATELY HAMPEL HOUSE** \$649,000  
Stately Craftsman with traditional styling, elegant details & upgrades. Original built-ins, unique lot w/gardens. 4+BR/2BA + sunroom. Lori Lombardo

**PRIVACY & TRANQUILITY** \$589,000  
Private contemporary Montclair homesits on an expansive lot w/lovely gardens, level lawn area & patio. 3BR/2BA, vaulted ceilings and so much more. Debbi DiMaggio

**GARDEN PARTY** \$535,000  
Estate-like gardens await you behind this charming English style home. Lovely formal rooms, sunny updates kitchen, 2BR/1+BA & rumpus. Linda McClain

**ROCKRIDGE TRADITIONAL** \$499,000  
Sunny close-in and all level home w/ custom kitchen and huge entertainment deck. The open floor plan includes 3BR/2BA, office or den. Sandra Vogl

**SECLUDED RANCH HOME** \$389,000  
Move in condition. 3BR/1.5 BA + family room. Newer kitchen. Secluded large lot w/some south Bay views. Affordable! Helen Buty



**MONTCLAIR CHARMER** \$339,000  
This charming Montclair home is nestled in a beautiful wooded setting. 2BR/1.25BA, den, cozy living room with hardwood floors & fireplace. Sherry Benninger

**TEMESCAL DUPLEX** \$315,000  
Charming Victorian duplex in the popular Temescal neighborhood. Great for owner occupant! Great investment opportunity. Tricia Swift

**MAXWELL PARK FIXER** \$199,000  
Loaded w/charm & potential! 2BR/1BA, formal dining room, loving room w/fireplace, spacious kitchen that opens to garden. Susie Schevill

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**BERKELEY \$1,900,000**  
Spectacular updated 4+BR/3.5BA turn of the century shingle in Claremont Court. Private gardens on over 1/3 acre. Lovely gracious public rooms. Leslie Avant x1341

**OAKLAND HILLS \$1,495,000**  
Smashing new custom Mediterranean. 5BR/4.5BA, spacious formal rooms & Bay views. Large master suite, decks, yard. Dee Knowland x1318



**MONTCLAIR \$829,000**  
French Country in Montclair! 3BR/2.5BA, hardwood floors, crown molding, hand painted tiles & French doors opening to the garden. Nancy Moore x1302

**OAKLAND HILLS \$759,000**  
Upgraded 3BR/2.5BA home on huge lot Bay views & spectacular garden w/ deck, waterfall, lawn & spa tub. Donna Costella x1355

**BERKELEY \$685,000**  
Berkeley's choice neighborhood! Close to shopping & transportation. Secluded garden, 2 fireplaces, large rooms. 2BR/2BA. Jack McPhail x1336

**LAKE MERRITT \$649,000**  
\$100K price reduction! Luxury condominium w/bay & lake views. 2BR/2BA. Like living on a chic cloud w/all the amenities. Sandi Klemmer x1314 & Dick Cohen x1308

**PIEDMONT \$619,000**  
Charming traditional in central location. 2BR/1BA, formal dining room, well-designed kitchen w/breakfast nook & large garden. Well maintained. Roselle Woods x1324



**OAKLAND \$579,000**  
A majestic Queen Anne Victorian w/grand interior on beautifully landscaped lot. 4BR/1.5BA, grand foyer, parlor, gorgeous detailing. Minutes from Jack London Square. Joan E. Hause x1358

**PIEDMONT HILLS \$2,395,000**  
Grand view DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
3 yr. old home. Top of the world panoramic Berkeley Hills Point w/5 bridge. Fabulous floor plan, superb quality. 4.5BA, 5+BR/4+BA. In outstanding condition. Helen Danhaki x1305

**PIEDMONT \$2,195,000**  
Pershing DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
Estate on the Piedmont side of Oakland. Approx. 1/2 acre of gardens. Panoramic views. Gourmet kitchen, high tech media/entertainment room. 5+BR/4+BA. In outstanding condition. Helen Danhaki x1305

**UPPER ROCKRIDGE \$1,595,000**  
ACACIA AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
Elegant Claremont Pines home. 5BA, gourmet kitchen, luxurious master suite, large separate suite on lower level. 2.5BA, 5+BR/4+BA. In outstanding condition. Dee Knowland x1318

**MONTCLAIR \$1,049,000**  
MAZUELA DR. (Open 2-5)  
Stunning level-in contemporary on approx. 1/3 acre level lot. Wonderful floor plan. 4BR/2.5BA, gorgeous master suite, 3+BR/2+BA, 3-car garage & city views. Fritz Schuler x1348

**UPPER ROCKRIDGE \$975,000**  
BUENA VISTA AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Great custom 4BR/2.5BA home built in 1994. Formal dining, gourmet kitchen, 3+BR/2+BA, 3-car garage, 3+BR/2+BA, 3-car garage & city views. Dee Knowland x1318

**MONTCLAIR \$899,000**  
SPINWALL RD. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Peaceful setting w/glorious view of the bay. 3BR/2+BA, 3+BR/2+BA, 3-car garage. Ultimate privacy. Mary Ann x1350

**PIEDMONT \$895,000**  
BLAIR AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
1940's home plus artist's studio on approx. 3/4 acre. SF Bay views. Private yard. Patricia Scott Winslow x1315

**MONTCLAIR \$795,000**  
5943 MONZAL AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Sunny 8 yr. old traditional w/ approx. 2008 sq. ft. 3BR/2.5BA, large lot w/ exceptional yard & 4+ car garage. Michelle Miller x1335

**BERKELEY \$669,000**  
635 SANTA ROSA AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Wonderful bay view 3BR/1BA traditional. Great Thousand Oaks location near Solano. Beautiful garden. Updated throughout. Leslie Avant x1341

**MONTCLAIR \$619,000**  
6529 ASCOT DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
Charming single story traditional. 3BR/2BA, great master suite, updated baths. Large level yard. Bright & sunny. Bonnie Hirsch x1366

**MONTCLAIR \$589,000**  
172 DUNCAN WAY (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Charming picture book English cottage in private setting. Living rm w/wood cathedral ceilings, spacious family room. Level yard off kitchen. David Ichikawa x1331

**BERKELEY \$585,000**  
1729 6TH STREET (Open 2-4)  
Stylish 2 yr. old home. Architectural beauty, artistic colors. Gourmet kitchen. Near 4th St. shops. 2BR/2BA. Sophisticated! Nancy Noman x1373

**MONTCLAIR \$579,000**  
3465 BRUNELL DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Views from almost every room! Sunny level-in home w/4BR/3BA, huge rumpus room, 2 fireplaces, 2-car garage. Wendy Gardner x1303

**MONTCLAIR \$549,000**  
6629 ARMOUR DR. (Open 2-5)  
New Listing! 3BR/2+BA canyon retreat Open living/dining room. Studio guest suite. Jeffrey Himmel x1307

**GLENVIEW \$499,000**  
3828 WOODRUFF AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Sunny & adorable bungalow w/3BR/1BA, retro eat-in kitchen, formal dining room w/built-ins, great patio & garden. Leslie Easterday x1363

**UPPER ROCKRIDGE \$3,100,000**  
Magnificent property in beautiful Claremont Pines. Built in 1935 w/5BR/6.5BA, gracious formal rooms, library, full au-pair suite & fabulous pool & spa. Dee Knowland x1318

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Open Sunday ~ June 2 ~ 2-4:30pm

*New Listing!*



**6775 Estates Drive, Oakland**

Home and private custom contemporary on the Piedmont side of Montclair. Situated on approximately 1/2 acre with 4BR/4BA, family room, bay views, separate in-law and 4-car garage.

Offered at \$849,000  
**Charlotte Boyle**  
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*New Listing!*



**100 Pershing Drive, Oakland**

Historic estate on the Piedmont side of Montclair. Approximately 1/2 acre of gardens. Panoramic views. Gourmet kitchen, high tech media/family room. 5+BR/4+BA. In outstanding condition.

Offered at \$2,195,000  
**Helen Danhaki**  
Broker Associate  
510.338-1356

Open Sunday ~ June 2 ~ 2-4:30pm

*New Listing!*



**3828 Woodruff Ave., Oakland**

Sunny and adorable Glenview bungalow with 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, retro eat-in kitchen, formal dining room with built-ins, great patio and garden.

Offered at \$499,000  
**Donna Costella**  
Senior Sales Associate  
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*New Listing!*



**4962 Stoneridge Court, Oakland**

Situated on a quiet cul-de-sac in Ridgmont, this lovely home has glorious views and well-designed outdoor living. 4BR/2BA, formal dining room, kitchen with adjoining family room w/fireplace, gracious master suite with magical views from deck & 2 walk-in closets, three-car garage.

Offered at \$619,000  
**Robyn Mohr**  
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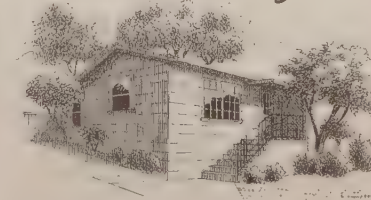
**3019 Arizona Street, Oakland**

Opportunity knocks in Laurel! Rare opportunity on lovely street in Laurel. First time on market in 50 years. Great floor plan with 2BR/1BA and formal dining room. Charming original details. A nice fixer awaiting your TLC and paint samples.

Offered at \$299,000  
**Bob & Carolyn Nelson**  
510.338-1345

Open Sunday ~ June 2 ~ 2-4:30pm

*New Listing!*



**127 Entrada Avenue, Oakland**

Hernando's hideaway in desirable Piedmont Avenue area! Ultra charming 1BR/1BA cottage with garden.

Offered at \$315,000  
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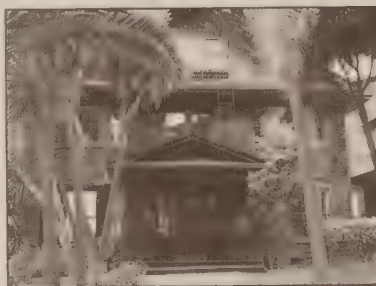
## New Berkeley Listing

OPEN SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2-4:30PM

2910 Hillegass Ave. #2

Wonderful 1 bedroom, 1 bath  
condo in classic Elmwood Brown  
Shingle building.

Offered at \$279,000



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## New Claremont Listing!



2836 Garber Street

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Craftsman Cottage was designed by Arch. George T. Plowman in  
1908. The home has been tastefully remodeled by the present  
architect-owners and appeared on the Berkeley Architectural  
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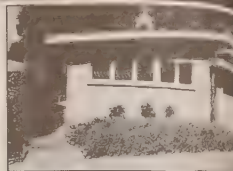
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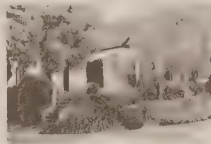
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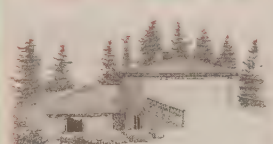
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# Errors cost Berkeley in NCS semifinals loss to Clayton

■ Yellow Jackets fall one game short of ending the season in the Coliseum

By Joe Stiglich  
STAFF WRITER

As good as the Clayton Valley High School baseball team played in its first two playoff games, the Eagles had yet to bust out offensively.

They took care of that Wednesday, with a big assist from Berkeley's defense.

## NCS 3A East Bay playoffs

Clayton Valley 10, Berkeley 1

Clayton Valley scored seven runs in the final two innings, taking advantage of nine Berkeley errors in the game, and turned a tight contest into a 10-1 blowout win in the North Coast Section 3A East Bay semifinals. The Eagles (21-6), seeded second in the 16-team bracket, play No. 5 Newark Memorial (25-4-1) for

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the section title on Saturday at Network Associates Coliseum. Game time is noon.

No. 6 seeded Berkeley (20-7) entered Wednesday's game on a roll of its own, having beaten Antioch 12-6 and De La Salle 9-2 on the way to the semifinals. But the Yellow Jackets came apart defensively. Four of their errors came in the last two innings, when the Eagles pounded out seven hits to extend a 3-1 lead.

"We came off our best game (against De La Salle) and played our worst game," said Berkeley coach Tim Moellering, who took the Yellow Jackets farther than any team in school history. "Nobody's had a big inning against us all year."

Jeff Landry got things started for the Eagles in the sixth with an RBI triple to left-center. Matt Reed followed with a run-scoring double and Sam Ray brought

in another run with a single to make it 6-1. Adam Elliot and Chris Salmon drove in runs in the four-run seventh.

Clayton Valley got 3 1/2 solid innings from starter Joe Stoiber before ace Adam Elliot (9-4) took over. He held Berkeley in check to pick up the win, tossing 2 1/3 innings.

Moellering said he was happy with the Yellow Jackets' season, which included an Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League co-championship and the first NCS victory ever for the program.

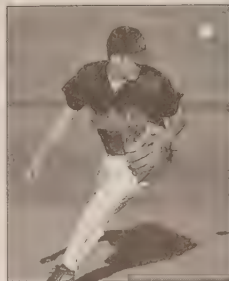
Berkeley loses 10 seniors from this year's team to graduation.

"It's probably the best season Berkeley baseball has ever had," Moellering said. "The credit goes to (the players)."

## Berkeley 9, De La Salle 2

Berkeley took a big step toward gaining a shot at an NCS title, beating the No. 14 De La Salle Spartans 9-2 in a 3A quarterfinal game at Evans Field.

But the win was also a step toward getting the kind of respect the Yellow Jackets (20-6) feel is



NADER KHOURIS/STAFF

**BERKELEY** shortstop Jason Moore tries to play a ball in the NCS 3A semifinals.

their due.

"This is an emotional win for us because De La Salle has a good program," said Yellow Jacket Clinton Calhoun, who launched a fifth-inning grand slam. "We wanted to show the valley teams we can play—play fundamental baseball. We wanted

to validate our season."

This game, when coupled with Berkeley's 12-4 win over Antioch on May 22, should help put the club's season in perspective.

Initially a battle between off-speed left-handers, Cole Stipovich for Berkeley and Dan McGuire for De La Salle, the Yellow Jackets quickly turned the game into a display of hitting and deft fielding.

When the Spartans (15-12) put runners on first and third with two outs in the top of the first, an attempted double steal ended with second baseman Lee Franklin gunning out Bryan Byrne at home.

As the game wore on, infielders Franklin, shortstop Jason Miller, third baseman DeAndre Miller and Calhoun at first shut down the Spartans' short game.

"We expected them to play small ball," Moellering said. "It's their game and they are very good at it. But we were prepared for it."

Then the Jackets opened up

at the plate. A RBI single from Clayton Valley's second baseman Eric Massingham, who had an unearned run in the first, moved the Eagles to a fourth as Berkeley edged 3-0.

In the fifth, Berkeley batters to the plate, including Miller, who drove in a run, but the big slugger, who drove in the left-center fielder, was more runs than he and Berkeley was

"We have been out of the game," said "But properly, I know that" (Berkeley) was wanted it more. "Coach Matt Calhoun deserves it."

Staff writer Bill Korman contributed to this report.

## BRIEFS

### Soccer teams forming

Alameda-Contra Costa Youth Soccer League Class III boys teams are being formed by the following clubs: Albany/Berkeley (telephone 848-1339), San Pablo (223-8859), Richmond (620-0698), El Cerrito (869-KICK) and Mersey (524-4625). Please contact these clubs directly or log on to [www.acysl.org](http://www.acysl.org) for tryout schedules.

### Golf

The Galbraith Junior Golf Program will host its first Oakland Junior Golf Tournament at 9 a.m. at Lake Chabot Golf Course on June 24.

Juniors ages 7-12 will play the par-3 course and juniors 13-18 will play the 18-hole course. Entry forms are available at local municipal golf courses.

Those wishing to enter can also use a JGANC entry form. Registration is \$20 and is due Saturday.

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Galbraith Junior Golf also invites the business communities of Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, Emeryville, Piedmont and San Leandro to get involved through group and scholarship sponsorships.

For more information, call program coordinator Clarence Washington at 510-569-5682, or e-mail Michael Salem at [oaklandboy@aol.com](mailto:oaklandboy@aol.com).

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Caren Horstmeyer's Girls Basketball Camp will hold three sessions at Cal's Haas Pavilion this summer. The first session, which runs 9 a.m.-4 p.m. June 24-28, is an individual camp for players in grades four through 12. Players will be divided into groups of fourth- through eighth-

graders and ninth- through 12th-graders. Cost is \$255.

Session two, which runs 7-9 p.m. June 25-26, is a shooting camp for players in grades 7-12. Cost is \$50.

Session three, which runs 9 a.m.-4 p.m. July 22-26, is a "Jr. Cub" camp for players in grades kindergarten through six. Cost is \$255.

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The Oakland Neighborhood Basketball League will celebrate its 30th year of summer play this year. ONBL provides Bay Area youths ages 8-18 a chance to participate in a competitive basketball league. Registration deadline is June 7 with league play starting June 24.

Registration is available at the City of Oakland Parks and Recreation Department office (1520 Lakeside Drive). Entries also are available online at [www.Portability.com](http://www.Portability.com).

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The City of Oakland Parks and Recreation Department will hold high school basketball summer tournaments for boys and girls. Girls divisions will play June 28-30. Boys divisions will play July 5-7. Games will take place at Merritt College and Skyline High School.

Twelve teams will be placed into six-team pools. Teams will play all other teams in the opposite pool. An entry fee of \$200 is due today.

Registration is available at the City of Oakland Parks and Recreation Department office (1520 Lakeside Drive).

Entries also are available online at [www.Portability.com](http://www.Portability.com). Entry forms can also be mailed or faxed to you by calling 510-238-3494, or by faxing a request to Frederick L. Morris III at 510-986-2823.

### Coaches needed

The Warriors Youth Football and Cheerleaders Association is a nonprofit public organization with a program designed to reach children in the greater Oakland area, including Alameda, Berkeley, Piedmont, Emeryville, Hayward, Oakland, Richmond, San Leandro, and other cities in the East Bay.

The association's mission is to instill the principles of community service, sportsmanship, academic responsibility, honesty, self-esteem, loyalty, courage, cooperation and reverence to positively further growth and emergence into society. For more information log on to [www.eastbaywarriors.org](http://www.eastbaywarriors.org).

Cheer coaches and assistant coaches are needed for the following age groups: Mitey Mites — 7-9 years; Jr. Pee-wee — 8-11; Pee-wee — 9-12; Jr. Midgets — 10-13; Midgets — 11-15.

Background checks are required for coaches, along with CPR/first aid certification training. For more information, call 510-869-4760 or send an e-mail to [ebwarriors@yahoo.com](mailto:ebwarriors@yahoo.com).

## Track

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Flood ended the meet with a victory in 3:19.72, the Panthers' seventh straight boys MOC 1,600 relay title, according to Lawson. Flood ran a 49.2 second split in his anchor leg to hold off Bishop O'Dowd (3:19.95).

Elsewhere, Berkeley resident Clara Horowitz, who attends Head-Royce in Oakland, did not expect a strong challenge in the MOC girls 3,200-meter race on Saturday. After all, her top competitor, Amber Trotter of Ukiah High, was injured and unable to run.

Instead, freshman Shelby Leland — Trotter's teammate at Ukiah — pushed Horowitz the entire race. In the end, though,

the Duke University-bound Horowitz enjoyed a characteristically strong finish to win the race in 10:32.2.

"I thought I was going to be all alone after the first mile," said Horowitz, who pulled away from Leland on the bell lap. "But it was really awesome having (Leland) there. I'm happy for her. She's really stepped up this year and this was definitely a PR for her."

Leland, who entered the race with a seed time of 10:57.91, claimed second place very comfortably in 10:37.32.

Horowitz and Leland will join Bridget Duffy of St. Mary's and Lindsay Allen of College Park at the California Interscholastic Federation State Track and Field Championships today and Saturday at Cerritos College in Nor-

## McGreehan

FROM PAGE 1

World Cup will runneth over for fans worldwide.

Here at home, the view is quite different. Generally speaking, folks in the States lack the get-naked, drooling passion for soccer found elsewhere. And from a pure soccer standpoint, our national team is one of the dullest in the field of 32. But the sport continues to grow here. And soccer junkies — myself included — abound.

So what better time to connect with my fellow  *fútbol*  fanatics than right here, right now.

Like most Americans, I wasn't able to get to France four years ago. But Bob Morris and Charlie Olken did. So did John McCaskill and his son, Justin. The McCaskills — who reside in Alameda — will be heading to Korea for more World Cup action on Monday.

"It's certainly going to have a different feel in the Far East than there was in France," John McCaskill predicts. "We were caught up in it in France. Parisians are pretty blasé, but as France advanced through the World Cup, they couldn't

contain themselves."

A "different feel" won't be anything new to the McCaskills.

Justin McCaskill, who graduated from Occidental College just last week, played soccer in high school and with the Bay Oaks, drawing his dad into the sport in the process. Both, however, got even deeper into soccer when the World Cup came to the United States in 1994. But as exciting as USA '94 was, France '98 was an experience on an entirely different level.

"People in France were passionate about it," John McCaskill said. "In 1994, a lot of people were curious about it."

Morris, an Alameda resident, experienced France '98 just a little differently, going in an official capacity through his involvement in U.S. Youth Soccer.

Everything started well, Morris recalled, with a big shindig at the U.S. Embassy in Paris. But the U.S. team quickly crashed and burned, finishing last among the 32 teams.

Morris witnessed all three losses, including the 2-1 defeat against Iran at Lyon. Nonetheless, the positive feeling of just being at the World Cup far outweighed all else.

## El Cerrito

FROM PAGE 1

Third baseman Mario Cox threw over first baseman Randy Minix's head, allowing Smith to score for the 2-0 advantage.

"I don't think the errors bothered him at all," Nichols said of his sophomore ace, Murray. "Two runs were unearned and the home run was to a good hitter. We didn't have the best offensive game of the year. I knew runs would be hard to come by."

The semifinal game was played at Northgate's home field, but the higher seeded Gauchos played as the home team. The fi-

nal at-bat was no help to El Cerrito however, as Bradley and his outfielders shut down the Gauchos 1-2-3 in the bottom of the seventh for the 3-0 victory.

**El Cerrito 3, Dublin 2**  
The Dublin High School pitching staff held El Cerrito shortstop David Greenstein under control for most of the game.

The junior flew out in his first three at bats against Gaels pitcher Chris Conley, and he struck out looking his first time up against reliever Preston Morris.

But Greenstein finally caught a break in the top of the 10th inning of Saturday afternoon's North Coast Section 2A East Bay

quarterfinals. Facing a 1-0 count, Greenstein took an offering from Morris and sent it deep into left field for a double, scoring Mario Cox and leading the Gauchos to a 3-2 win in Dublin.

"David's a very capable hitter for us," El Cerrito coach Brian Nichols said. "He's got a lot of power. I knew he could hit well, and that was a huge hit for us."

Dublin mounted a threat of its own in the bottom of the 10th. With two outs, center fielder Travis Millard reached with a double to left. Catcher Bill Lutz walked to put the go-ahead runner on base,

but senior Josh McFarland out to end the game.

"We pitched well and had good defense, but we were very well," Gaels coach McHugh said. "You have to credit to their guys."

That "guys" were Gaels pitcher Kenny Sajo (4) held Dublin hitless in the bottom of the sixth inning, the Gaels scored two runs. He finished with two

Staff writer Jennifer Korman contributed to this report.

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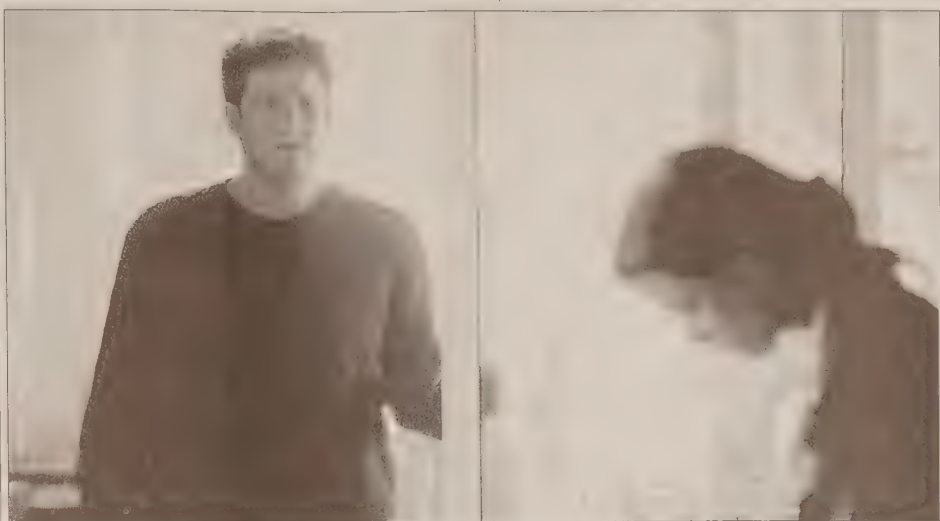
# Arts

**Six Feet Under** digs into some serious issues

Two more good reasons (besides "The Sopranos") to consider subscribing to HBO: "Six Feet Under," Home Box Office's first-rate, limited-run series, wraps its acclaimed second season Sunday night at 9 p.m. The critical and viewer faves will return next year, and it's a good thing because the show's center of gravity is on character development, acting, and sharp, focused writing.

The Golden Globe winner "Six Feet Under" creator Allan Ball has won legions of fans this spring. The series has also made lead actor Peter Kraus, who plays the family's patriarch, into a major star. The show's complex character has made it the center of gravity in this season, playing off the show's unstable character (she's Nate's sister).

"Six Feet Under" has dealt with a wide range of issues: death, of course, but also: homosexuality, litigiousness, L.A. politics, drug addiction, corporate power, mental illness, single parenthood, and psychotherapy. And it's all within a framework of compelling, intelligent storytelling.



**BEN AFFLECK** stars as CIA agent Jack Ryan and Bridget Moynahan is his girlfriend in "The Sum of All Fears," the new thriller based on Tom Clancy's novel. The movie also stars Morgan Freeman as the CIA director and Ryan's mentor.

## Nukes overshadow stars in Clancy film

**By Mary F. Pols**  
STAFF WRITER

For what seems like the last month, Paramount has been sending movie critics fact sheets and other missives about its new disaster thriller, "The Sum of All Fears," all intended to illustrate just how realistic the movie's depiction of nuclear terrorism is.

But the problem here is not whether the movie is realistic or not. You want realism? Pick up last Sunday's New York Times Magazine, which probed the possibility of a nuclear terrorist attack on these shores. The text on its toxic yellow cover asked "How Scared Should We Be?" while the story within spelled out P-L-E-N-T-Y. Or check out the radio and

television airwaves, where discussions about about the real threat of nuclear war between India and Pakistan.

The more pertinent question is, can you be entertained by a fictional tale of nuclear terrorism right now? Doubtless plenty of people are, and they'll find "The Sum of All Fears" chillingly effective. Others who are less tantalized by entertainment that toys with reality will just find it harrowing and pointlessly painful.

In the movie, an adaptation of one of Tom Clancy's Jack Ryan novels, directed by Phil Alden Robinson ("Field of Dreams"), terrorists purchase a 1970s-era nuclear bomb that's been mislaid by the Israelis. Their plan is to set off the bomb in the United States and make the Americans think the Russians did it, which will lead to all-out nuclear war. Jack Ryan, now mysteriously wrinkle-free and played by Ben Affleck, does his best to save the world, but Baltimore suffers mightily. Which is to say, the city gets nuked.

## Student ensemble has a deal for theater lovers

You're probably reading this because you like theater. Right? And if you like live stage shows, you'd probably like to help save a lively theater ensemble in need, if the price was right. Right? What if a fundraising weekend, beginning tonight, included snacks, dessert and not one, not two, but three student performances for just \$15? You'd go for it. Right? Read on.

Albany High School Theater Ensemble has put together such a deal. Snacks and dessert will be served in the school's multipurpose room beginning at 6:30 p.m., followed by a performance of "15-minute Hamlet." The price is \$10. If you can't make tonight's opener, the show and goodies repeat at 6:30 p.m. Saturday and at 5 p.m. Sunday.



**JACK TUCKER**  
Community Theater

"Hound" and "Magritte" — refreshment included, the special deal is \$15 for the works.

Albany High's Theater Ensemble, supervised by art and theater teacher Sarah Samon-sky, is an all-student operation. Besides acting in the productions, students run all behind-the-scenes affairs such as costumes, set, tech crew, lighting, publicity and funding.

## Summer camp for grown-ups has counterculture twist

Wavy Gravy, the hardest working clown in the counterculture business, says he is still "basking in the afterglow of the Oscars."

Not that he was actually there, but close enough.

Gravy was included alongside First Lady Laura Bush and some 97 other Americans in a film montage by documentary maker Errol Morris of people talking about movies (in case you missed it, Gravy's memorable movie picks include "Hearts and Minds," which he says "helped stop the war in Vietnam," and "Dr. Strangelove"). The film opened the evening gala.

**ADULT SUMMER CAMP**  
One-week session (with two weekends) June 15-23  
Cost: \$700 for the week or \$90 a day  
Details or reservations: P.O. Box 1359 Laytonville, CA 95454; 707-984-6507; arainbow@comcast.net or www.campwinarainbow.org

County town of Laytonville, is already well-known for Camp Winarainbow, an annual program that gives kids a chance to dabble in a variety of performing arts.

Less heralded, but no less fun, is the yearly summer camp for grown-ups who want to learn theater or circus skills, be a rock musician or just have a good time and eat good food in a setting decidedly away from the city. This year's one-week session is June 15-23.

The session includes a film festival "where everyone dresses up like celebrities" using the ranch's extensive costume collection, and "Mad Hatter's croquet" accompanied by live jazz.

There is also a Summer Solstice celebration at the ranch's labyrinthine, an elaborate rock-lined pathway, and campers can also take advantage of the water slide salvaged from the original site of Marine World that is now at lakeside.

### EVENTS

- NIGHTFIRE** — Local blues/rock band NightFire plays June 1 at Club Muse, 856 San Pablo Ave. in Albany (510-528-2878) and June 7 at the Stary Plough, 3101 Shattuck Ave. in Berkeley (510-841-2082). Showtimes are 9:30 p.m. Cover charge is \$7 at Club Muse, \$6 at the Stary Plough. Details online at <http://thenightfireband.tripod.com/>
- FESTIVAL FRINGE CONCERT** — Baroque Et cetera presents J.S. Bach's Cantata 78 "Jesu, der du meine Seele," and Glen Shanon's Recorder Quartet No. 2 "Wanderlust" in its world premiere. It won the 2001 Chicago Recorder Society Composition Contest. Also presented: works by Fasch and Strozzi, June 2 at 6 p.m. in the Loper Chapel of First Congregational Church, Durant and Dana streets in Berkeley. Wheelchair accessible. Details: [www.baroque.org](http://www.baroque.org) or 510-540-8222
- JAZZSCHOOL** — The SCOTT MORRIS BAND will perform at the Jazzschool, 2087 Addison Street in Berkeley, at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 26. General admission is \$12; students and seniors, \$10; Jazzschool students and children 12 and under, \$6. Seating is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations (510) 845-5373. Details: [www.jazzschool.com](http://www.jazzschool.com)
- YOSHIS** — Jenna Mammina Quartet, June 3, \$15  
Curtis Stigers, Larry Goldings, Jeff Hamilton, June 4 and June 5, \$16  
Issac Delgado, June 6 through June 9 \$20 to \$24; Sunday matinee: \$5 children, \$10 general with one child; \$20 to \$24 general  
Shows are Monday through Saturday, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. \$10 Embarcadero West, Oakland, (510) 238-9200 or [www.yoshis.com](http://www.yoshis.com) or [www.tickets.com](http://www.tickets.com)
- REI BERKELEY** — "Great Hiking and Camping Destinations in Northern California," June 6, 7 p.m. Tom Stienstra shares slides and information on some of his favorite hiking and camping destinations, as featured in his guidebooks "Foghorn Outdoors: California Hiking" and "Foghorn Outdoors: California Camping."
- "Discover Yosemite National Park: Trails Less Traveled and More," June 8, 11 a.m. Join a Yosemite National Park ranger for expert tips on exploring this vast wilderness gem in the Sierra. Find out about some of the best-kept destinations, backcountry permits, campgrounds and how to share the wilderness with bears and other wildlife
- Free unless otherwise noted. 1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, (510) 527-4140.
- FREIGHT AND SALVAGE** — Spencer Bohren, June 6, \$15.50 to \$16.50  
Cats and Jammers, June 7 and June 8, \$16.50 to \$17.50  
Music starts at 8 p.m. 1111 Addison St., Berkeley, (510) 548-1761 or (510) 782-BASS or [www.freightandsalvage.org](http://www.freightandsalvage.org)
- OAKLAND EAST BAY SYMPHONY** — "Dance With Fate," Michael Morgan conducting, June 7, 8 p.m. A program of works by Mahler and Debussy. \$15 to \$55. Paramount Theatre, 2025 Broadway, Oakland, (510) 444-0801 or [www.oebso.org](http://www.oebso.org)
- THE OAKLAND MUSEUM OF CALIFORNIA** — "Truth Be Told," June 8, 5:30 p.m. Author Steve Turner will discuss his book about the African American artist William H. Johnson. Free "Tribute to African American Artist William H. Johnson," June 8, 7 p.m. With music, auction and dinner featuring a menu from the 1882 cookbook "What Mrs. Fisher Knows about Southern Cooking." Proceeds benefit the William H. Johnson Foundation for the Arts. \$125.
- \$6 general; \$4 seniors and students; free children age 5 and under. 1000 Oak St., Oakland, (888) OAK-MUSE or [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org)
- LAWRENCE HALL OF SCIENCE** — "The A-Maze-ing Maze," June 8, open-ended. A 35-foot by 35-foot maze constructed of colorful 8-foot-high panels that has several mirror walls inside to keep visitors guessing which way to turn.
- \$7 general; \$5 seniors, students, disabled, and youths age 7 to 18; \$3 children age 3 to 5; free children age 2 and younger. Daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Centennial Drive, University of California, Berkeley, (510) 642-5132 or [www.lhs.berkeley.edu](http://www.lhs.berkeley.edu)
- ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH** — Prometheus Symphony Orchestra, Eric Hansen conducting, June 9, 3 p.m. A concert of works by Glazunov and Tchaikovsky.
- Free. 5201 Park Blvd., Piedmont, (925) 447-3659.
- AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM AND LIBRARY** — "Golden Road to Freedom: The African Legacy in California, 1775-1900," ongoing. An exhibit focusing on the role that people of African descent played in later expeditions and settlements before the annexation of California.
- "The West Oakland Senior Citizen Oral History Project," ongoing. A visual and oral exhibit capturing the history of some of West Oakland's senior treasures in 51 black and white photographs and recorded conversations. Featuring Dr. Marcela Ford, Ruth Beckford, Anthony Martinez, Alonzo Fields and more.
- Free. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5:30 p.m. 659 14th St., Oakland, (510) 837-0200 or [www.oaklandlibrary.org](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org)
- EBONY MUSEUM OF ARTS** — A museum specializing in the art and history of Africa. The collection, which was on display in the museum's Jack London Village branch, has been incorporated with the material in the 14th Street Victorian Museum building, the site of the original museum. Free admission; \$2 guided tour. Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 14th St. & Broadway, San Francisco, (415) 398-1100 or [www.ebonymuseum.org](http://www.ebonymuseum.org)



## NOW PLAYING

Below are capsule reviews of movies playing at area theaters. The reviewers are Pat Craig and Mary F. Pols, Times; Robert W. Butler, Knight Ridder Newspapers; Glenn Lovell, San Jose Mercury News; Anthony Brenzani, David Germain, Christy Lemire, Tim Molloy, Sheila Norman-Culp and Matt Wolf, Associated Press; Jan Stuart, Newsday; Stephen Holden, Dave Kehr, Elvis Mitchell, A.O. Scott and Lawrence Van Gelder, New York Times; Valerie Kukulski, Bob Strauss and Glenn Whipp, Los Angeles Daily News; Kevin Thomas and Kenneth Turan, Los Angeles Times; Gary Dowell, Tom Maurstad, Chris Vognar and Philip Wuntch, Dallas Morning News; and Roger Moore, Orlando Sentinel.

**"ABOUT A BOY":** A charming adaptation of Nick Hornby's wonderful comic novel of the same name. Hugh Grant is at his best, playing, as he did in "Bridget Jones's Diary," a boulder extraordinaire, a 38-year-old commitment-phobe who does nothing but shop, play with his elec-

tronic toys and live off his songwriter father's royalties. He finds redemption, albeit grudgingly, when one of his games, a scam to date single moms (more sex, less commitment!) backfires on him and he is forced into a friendship with a lonely, dorky 12-year-old named Marcus (Nicholas Hoult). Too much voice-over, and a rather contrived ending, but a nice night out at the movies. — M. Pols. (PG-13: brief strong language and some thematic elements.) 1 hour, 40 minutes. **B+**

**"AMELIE":** A feel-good movie in the best possible sense, a comic fable from French director Jean-Pierre Jeunet that vibrates with joy and fast-dances with life. Amelie (the relentlessly charming Audrey Tautou) is a lonely young lady who keeps a watchful eye on the rest of the world. One day she sets out to reunite a child's treasure with its long-grown owner and discovers she likes playing emotional Robin Hood. Setting out on a path to help her neighbors and the denizens of the cafe where

she works, she inadvertently trips into a love affair with a guy (Mathieu Kassovitz) who might be as sweetly eccentric as she is. Every time you think the movie is getting too sticky-sweet, Jeunet throws something tart and funny in our path. — M. Pols. (R: sexual content.) 2 hours. **A**

**"THE CAT'S MEOW":** Director Peter Bogdanovich has been in a slump, and his latest — a fictionalized account about the suspicious death of a movie producer aboard a yacht owned by newspaper mogul William Randolph Hearst — is no exception. Kirsten Dunst saves the film with her full-wattage performance as an actress who's the mistress of Hearst as well as the object of Charlie Chaplin's affections. The rest of the cast is ordinary at best in a movie that is trite and mechanical. — J. Matthews. (PG-13: sexuality, violence, drug use.) 1 hour, 50 minutes. **C**

**"CHANGING LANES":** A film that dares to probe, intelligently, into some of those most essentially Amer-

ican issues, race and class, and simultaneously lays bare the moral lapses of both the privileged and the disgruntled. Ben Affleck and Samuel L. Jackson are both very good as opponents in a case of road rage gone wildly amok. With strong supporting work by Toni Collette and Amanda Peet. — M. Pols. (R: language.) 1 hour, 35 minutes. **B+**

**"THE COCKETTES":** Well before "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" and New York's "vogue" craze, there were the Cockettes, those irrepressible San Francisco drag queens who defined a little-known San Francisco subculture in the 1970s. The performance group from North Beach — and indeed the flowering of the transvestite lifestyle in general — is profiled in this lively, fascinating documentary. — G. Lovell. (NR: nudity.) 1 hour, 37 minutes. **B+**

**"DOGTOWN AND Z-BOYS":** This documentary draws a straight line between a scruffy group of outlaw Southern California surfers and skateboarders of the 1970s and the pervasive modern extreme-sports movement. Certainly the Z-Boys story is compelling, and the vintage action footage that goes along with it is really something to see. But as graceful as this group is on the board, that's how graceless they tend to be off of it. They're defiant bad boys still boasting decades later about the fights they got into back in the day. Although director and co-writer Stacy Peralta, a Z-Boy himself, has created a clever visual package, a more impartial filmmaker might have understood the need for other voices to balance against all that attitude. — K. Thomas. (PG-13: language and some drug references.) 1 hour, 30 minutes. **C**

**"ENIGMA":** Based on Robert Harris' best seller about British code-breakers during World War II, this film is likely to leave the audience feeling as puzzled as the characters are. An enigma apart from the code-breaking involves the disappearance of Claire Romilly (Saffron Burrows), the former lover and colleague of the mightily stressed Cambridge mathematician Tom Jericho (Douglas Scott), who has suffered a breakdown. Why did Claire vanish? And what important intercepts has she taken with her? Kate Winslet's character adds intrigue and romance to the plot as someone who may have access to the messages Claire may have stolen. The real enigma, though, is why is this film so dull? — M. Wolf. (R: a sex scene and language.) 1 hour, 57 minutes. **D+**

**"ENOUGH":** This Jennifer Lopez would-be thriller fails on so many different levels, it's impossible to mention them all. The acting is inept, with the best performances turned in

by J.Lo's numerous tight shirts; the

## OPENING TODAY

**"CQ" (R)**  
Roman Coppola (son of Francis) makes his directorial debut with this farce about a wannabe movie director who gets his big break in Paris in 1969. Starring Jeremy Davies.

**"LAGAAN: ONCE UPON A TIME IN INDIA" (NR)**  
An epic (almost four hours long) Bollywood film set in 1893. An Indian village takes on a monumental challenge set by the occupying English: Beat them at cricket or pay a triple tax (lagaan).

**"MURDEROUS MAIDS" (NR)**  
Feature about the infamous pre-World War II case of the Papin sisters, servants who murdered and mutilated their mistress and her daughter. Directed by Jean-Pierre Denis.

**"RAIN" (R)**  
It's a steamy New Zealand summer, circa 1972, and a 13-year-old girl and her alcoholic mother are drawn

to the same man.  
**"THE SUM OF ALL FEARS" (PG-13)**  
Ben Affleck stars as a young man who goes undercover as a CIA agent to find a missing nuclear device. Morgan Freeman

**"13 CONVERSATIONS ABOUT ONE THING" (NR)**  
Told in chapters, an engaging movie that attempts to pose a question, what makes a man happy? With Alan Arkin, Alan McCaughy, Amy Irving and John Turturro.

**"UNDERCOVER BROTHER" (PG-13)**  
A low-rent private eye who has a sense of style trades in on the goes undercover as a CIA agent to solve a crime. With Lenny Richards and Chris Kattan.

suspense is telegraphed so broadly that scenes designed to make you leap out of your seat make you want to leap up and run for the exit; and the plot is so incredibly stupid, you know exactly what will happen before you pop the top of your Junior Mints. There must be something to recommend this film, it's just that nothing comes to mind right now. Oh yeah, the photography is really nice. — P. Craig. (PG-13: intense domestic violence, some sexuality and language, mind-numbing stupidity.) **D+**

**"THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING":** A soulful, passionate giant of a movie, one that will live long past 2001. New Zealand director Peter Jackson's ("Heavenly Creatures") adaptation of the first third of J.R.R. Tolkien's epic "Lord of the Rings" enraptures you with its dramatic storytelling and visuals and leaves you re-joining that there are filmmakers out there who have the guts to make a movie destined for vast commercial success that's also intelligent and ferociously heartfelt. Terrifying when it should be, moving when it should be, this holds true to Tolkien's vision. One of the best movies of the year. — M. Pols. (PG-13: epic battle sequences and scary images.) 2 hours, 58 minutes. **A**

**"GOSFORD PARK":** There are no tutus or tights in this comic murder mystery from director Robert Altman, but make no mistake, this is ballet on film. Every aspect, from its ultimate ensemble cast to the meticulous recreation of the staid England of years gone by, could have been tracher-

umphant, spinning together so gantly as a stage full of can-can dancers. It's 1932 and times are hard for the gentry. Altman's story whirls and races along through the mounted upsets of a grand estate and the still of a country house. It's been this good on the M. Pols. (R: some language, sexuality.) 2 hours, 17 minutes.  
**"HOLLYWOOD ENDING"**  
Allen used to induce nervousness. We meet him as a washed-up Oscar-winning actor. Director Val Waxman, now making shooting a decorative comedy. Ex-wife and studio executive (Téa Leoni) successfully convinces Val to direct one of her studio pictures. But the situation nerves Val that he suffers from manic blindness and a film without being able to see scenes of Val and Elly. In his condition carry the pace. Uninspired TV sitcom. Dan plays Val's self-absorbed neurotress/girlfriend. Allen may not be intended "Hollywood" as he has comment on Hollywood comedies. If so, the movie isn't sharp enough to audience in the joke. — P. (PG-13: drugs and suggestive behavior.) 1 hour, 52 minutes. **C**  
**"ICE AGE":** The plot for this animated film looks back 20,000 years when all creatures were perched southbound and as below.

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## FRIDAY MOVIE LISTINGS

Showtimes for Friday May 31

Alameda County

Act 1 and 2

2128 Center Street, Berkeley 510-843-3456

•13 Conversations About One Thing (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10.

•Y Tu Mama Tambien (Not Rated) 1:30, 4:15, 7, 9:45.

Albany Twin

1115 Solano Ave, Albany 510-843-3456

•Monsoon Wedding (R) 1, 4, 6:45, 9:15.

•The Importance of Being Earnest (PG) 12:45, 3:45, 7, 9:30.

California Theatre

2113 Kittredge St., Berkeley 510-843-3450

•Theatre temporarily closed.

Century 16 Bayfair Mall

350 Bayfair Mall, San Leandro 510-276-5694

•About a Boy (PG-13) 3:05, 5:25.

•Enough (PG-13) 11:10, 12:30, 1:50, 4:20, 6:55, 7:45, 9:30, 10:15.

•Insomnia (R) 11:40, 2:30, 5:15, 7:05, 7:55, 9:50, 10:40.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 11:15, 1, 2, 3:45, 4:50, 6:50, 7:40, 9:35, 10:20.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 11:20, 12:20, 1:20, 2:25, 3:20, 4:30, 5:20, 7:25, 9:40.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 11:45, 12:45, 1:45, 3, 4, 5:05, 6:15, 7:15, 8:15, 9:25, 10:30.

•The New Guy (PG-13) 12, 2, 4:05, 6:20, 8:20, 10:25.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 11:30, 12:50, 2:15, 3:50, 5, 7, 7:50, 9:45, 10:35.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 11:25, 12:35, 1:35, 2:40, 3:40, 4:45, 5:50, 7:10, 8, 9:15, 10:05.

•Unfaithful (R) 11:35, 2:20, 4:55, 7:35, 10:10.

Chabot Space & Science Center

10000 Skyline Blvd, Oakland 510-336-7300

•Contact (PG) 7:30.

•Mysteries of Egypt (Not Rated) 12:30.

•The Living Sea (Not Rated) 11:30, 3:30.

•To Be an Astronaut (Not Rated) 10:30.

Elmwood 3

2966 College Ave., Berkeley 510-649-0530

•Gosford Park (R) 6:50.

•Lantana (R) 7.

•Monster's Ball (R) 7:10.

•The Cat's Meow (PG-13) 4:45, 9:25.

•The Royal Tenenbaums (R) 4:35, 9:15.

•The Son's Room (R) 7.

Fine Arts Cinema

2451 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 510-848-1143

•Cherish (Not Rated) 7:15.

Renaissance Grand Lake

3200 Grand Avenue, Oakland 510-452-1354

•About a Boy (PG-13) 11:45, 2, 4:35, 7:15, 9:45.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 12:15, 2:15, 4:20, 6:30, 8:30, 10:20.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 12, 3:15, 7, 10.

•Unfaithful (R) 1, 4:15, 7:30, 10:15.

Jack London Cinema

100 Washington, Oakland 510-433-1320

•Enough (PG-13) 11:15, 1:55, 4:35, 7:15, 9:55.

•Insomnia (R) 1, 3:50, 6:50, 9:40.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 11:30, 2:15, 5, 7:50, 10:35.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 11:10, 1:15, 3:25, 5:35, 7:40, 9:45.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 12:35, 1:05, 3:45, 4:15, 7, 7:35, 10:15, 10:45.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 10:45, 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 10:20.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 11:10, 1:25, 3:40, 5:50, 8:10, 10:25.

Hayward 9

19901 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward 510-785-8000

•About a Boy (PG-13) 2:20, 4:50, 7:50.

•Enough (PG-13) 11, 11:30, 1:50, 2:30, 4:30, 5, 7:10, 7:40, 9:50, 10:20.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 11, 11:50, 1:30, 2:10, 4, 4:40, 7, 7:30, 9, 9:30.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 10:30, 12:15, 1, 2, 3:30, 4:20, 5:15, 7, 7:30, 9:30, 10, 10:30.

•New Guy (PG-13) 11:10, 1:40, 4:10, 7:20, 9:40.

•The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11:20, 10:10.

Renaissance Oaks Theatre

1875 Solano Avenue, Berkeley 510-525-1836

•Hollywood Ending (PG-13) 6.

•The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (PG-13) 8:15.

•Unfaithful (R) 7:15, 9:45.

Parkway Theater

1634 Park Blvd., Oakland 510-814-2400

•Amelie (R) 6:30.

•Italian for Beginners (R) 9:15.

•Kissing Jessica Stein (R) 7.

•The Salton Sea (R) 9:45.

Piedmont Theatre

4186 Piedmont Ave, Oakland 510-843-3450

•Monsoon Wedding (R) 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15.

•The Importance of Being Earnest (PG) 2:20, 4:45, 7, 9:30.

•Y Tu Mama Tambien (Not Rated) 2:40, 5, 7:20, 9:45.

Shattuck Cinemas

2230 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 510-843-3456

•About a Boy (PG-13) 1:50, 4:45, 7:15, 9:35.

•CG (R) 12:30, 2:40, 4:55, 7:05, 9:20.

•Enigma (R) 1:15, 3:55, 6:45, 9:30.

•Enough (PG-13) 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:45.

•Insomnia (R) 2, 4:35, 7:20, 9:55.

•Lagaan (PG) 3, 7:30.

•My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) 2:05, 4:15, 6:30, 8:45.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 12:35, 1:40, 3:20, 4:20, 6, 7, 8:40, 9:40.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 12:45, 2:45, 4:45, 6:55, 9:10.

United Artists Berkeley

2274 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 510-843-1487

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 12, 1, 3, 4, 7, 7:45, 10, 10:40.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 10:15, 11:15, 12:30, 1:30, 2:45, 4:15, 5, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:30.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 10, 11, 1:10, 2:10, 4:20, 5:20, 7:30, 8:45, 10:45.

•The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11:30, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 10:10.

United Artists Emery Bay 10

6330 Christie, Emeryville 510-420-0107

•About a Boy (PG-13) 11:20, 2, 4:40, 7:20, 10.

•Enough (PG-13) 10:50, 1:40, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50, 12:30.

•Insomnia (R) 10:40, 1:30, 4:20, 7, 9:40, 12:20.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 11:30, 2:20, 5:10, 8, 10:50.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 10, 11, 1:10, 2:10, 4:20, 5:20, 7:30, 8:45, 10:45, 12.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 10:30, 1:20, 4:10, 7, 9:50, 12:30.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 10:45, 1, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10, 12:15.

Central Contra Costa

Renaissance Orinda Theatre

Orinda Theatre Sq., Orinda 925-254-9060

•About a Boy (PG-13) 7:15, 9:45.

•Big Fat Liar (PG) 6, 8, 10.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 7, 9:30.

Renaissance Park Theatre

3519 Golden Gate Way., Lafayette 925-283-7997

•Insomnia (R) 7, 9:35.

Rheem Theatre

350 Park St, Moraga 925-988-3411

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 4:45, 7:30, 9:20.

•Star Wars: Episode II (PG) 3:30, 6:45, 9:45.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 4, 7, 9:30.

•Unfaithful (R) 4:15, 7:10, 9:35.

West Contra Costa

Century 16 Hilltop

3200 Klose Way, Richmond 510-758-1345

•About a Boy (PG-13) 11:05, 1:20, 3:35, 5:50, 8:05, 10:25.

•Enough (PG-13) 11:25, 2:25, 5, 7:20, 8, 9:55, 10:30.

•Insomnia (R) 11:40, 2:25, 5:15, 7:05, 7:55, 9:50, 10:35.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 11, 11:40, 1:55, 2:20, 4:35, 5:05, 7:45, 10:25.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 11:10, 12:15, 1:10, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 5:45, 7:55, 10:05.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 11, 11:55, 12:45, 2:15, 2:55, 4, 5:25, 6:15, 7:10, 8:45, 9:30, 10:20.

•The New Guy (PG-13) 11:30, 1:40, 3:45, 6, 8:05, 10:15.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 11:05, 12, 2, 3:15, 4:55, 7, 8, 9:55, 10:35.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 11, 11:45, 1, 1:50, 3, 3:50, 5:10, 5:55, 7:15, 8:10, 9:45, 10:30.

•Unfaithful (R) 11:20, 2, 4:40, 7:35, 10:20.

San Francisco

AMC Van Ness 14

1000 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco 415-922-4262

•About a Boy (PG-13) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10.

•Enough (PG-13) 2:35, 4:10, 5:10, 6:50, 7:50, 10:40.

•Insomnia (R) 12:10, 1:10, 4:30, 7:30, 9:30, 10:15, 12:15.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 1:15, 2:15, 4:15, 5:15, 7, 8, 10, 10:45, 12:45.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 2:15, 4:30, 7:05, 9:15, 11:20.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 12:30, 1:15, 3, 3:45, 4:30, 6:15, 7, 7:45, 9:30, 10:15, 11, 12:45.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 12:45, 1:45, 3:45, 4:45, 6:45, 9:45, 10:45, 12:40.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:45, 5, 6, 7:15, 8:15, 9:30, 10:30, 12, 12:45.

AMC Kabuki 8

1891 Post Street, San Francisco 415-931-9800

•About a Boy (PG-13) 1:35, 4:35, 7:40, 10:15.

•Enough (PG-13) 1:15, 4, 7, 9:50.

•Insomnia (R) 2, 5, 8, 10:55.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 1:45, 4:45, 7:50, 10:45.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 12:40, 3, 5:15, 7:30, 9:40.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 1:05, 4:10, 7:20, 10:25.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 12:50, 3:10, 5:30, 8:10, 10:35.

•Unfaithful (R) 1:25, 4:20, 7:10, 10:05.

Bridge Theatre

3010 Geary Blvd, San Francisco 415-352-0818

•CG (R) 12:30, 2:35, 4:45, 7:15, 9:40.

Castro Theatre

429 Castro St., San Francisco 415-621-6120

•Murderous Maids (Not Rated) 7, 9:30.

Clay Theatre

2261 Fillmore Street, San Francisco 415-352-0810

•Enigma (R) 1:20, 4:15, 7, 9:50.

Embarcadero Center Cinema

1 Embarcadero Center, San Francisco 415-352-0810

•13 Conversations About One Thing (R) 12:15, 2:25, 4:50, 7:20, 9:40.

•Monsoon Wedding (R) 12, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 10.

•The Importance of Being Earnest (PG) 12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 7, 9:20.

•Y Tu Mama Tambien (Not Rated) 12:30, 1:30, 2:50, 4, 6:30, 7:40, 9, 10:10.

Lumiere Theatre

1572 California St., San Francisco 415-352-0810

•Lagaan (PG) 2:30, 7:30.

•Rain (Not Rated) 12:30, 2:45, 5:10, 7:25, 9:40.

•The Mystic Masseur (PG) 11:30, 2:10, 4:45, 7:20, 9:55.

Opera Plaza Cinema

601 Van Ness Blvd, San Francisco 415-352-0810

•Amelie (R) 1, 4, 7, 9:45.

•Kissing Jessica Stein (R) 1:20, 7:20.

•Nine Queens (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:50.

•The Cat's Meow (PG-13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 9:55.

•The Piano Teacher (Not Rated) 4:20, 9:40.

The Red Vic Theatre

1727 Haight, San Francisco 415-688-3994

•Scratch (R) 7:15, 9:15.

The Roxie Theatre

3117 16th At Valencia, San Francisco 415-863-1087

•A Skin Too Few: The Days of Nick Drake (Not Rated) 5:30, 8:45.

•Culture Jam (Not Rated) 7, 10:15.

Loews Metreon

101 Fourth St, San Francisco 415-369-6200

•About a Boy (PG-13) 11:30, 2:10, 5:10, 8:10, 10:50.

•Enough (PG-13) 10:35, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30.

•Insomnia (R) 10:45, 12, 1:50, 2:50, 4:40, 5:50, 7:50, 9, 11, 12:10.

•Spider-Man (PG-13) 11:20, 12:20, 2:30, 3:40, 5:30, 6:50, 8:30, 9:50, 11:30.

•Spirited Stallion of the Cimarron (G) 10:50, 1:10, 3:20, 5:40, 8, 10:20.

•Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones (PG) 10:40, 11:40, 12:30, 2, 3:10, 4:10, 5:20, 6:40, 7:40, 8:40, 10:10, 11:10, 12.

•The New Guy (PG-13) 11:10, 1:20, 3:50, 6:30, 9:10, 11:20.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 11:50, 12:40, 3, 4, 6:20, 7:20, 8:40, 10:40.

•Undercover Brother (PG-13) 11, 1:40, 4:20, 7, 9:30, 11:40.

•Unfaithful (R) 12:50, 4:05, 7:10, 10, 12:45.

Loews Imax Theatre

101 Fourth Street, San Francisco 415-369-6200

•Stallion 3D (Not Rated) 10:30, 1, 3:30, 6.

•The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) 8:50, 11:50.

•Ultimate X (PG) 11:50, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20.

United Artists Galaxy

1285 Sutter St., San Francisco 415-474-9700

•Dogtown and Z-Boys (PG-13) 11:15, 1:40, 7:15, 10.

•My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) 11:30, 2, 7, 9:45.

•The Cocktails (Not Rated) 11:30, 2, 7, 9:30.

•Unfaithful (R) 11, 1:45, 7:15, 10.



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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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## Newest

**East Bay French American School** transforms into "La Place du Marche," from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 2. The school's lower campus, located at 1009 Heinz Ave., and 9th Street in Berkeley will transform into an authentic French marketplace, complete with music, food, and specialized vendor booths, all with a delightfully French atmosphere. Admission is \$5; children 12 and under are free. "La Place du Marche" and raffle is the largest fund-raiser for the school. For more information, visit the school's Web site at [www.ebfas.org](http://www.ebfas.org).

**The Kala Art Institute**, 1060 Heinz Ave., continues its "Solos: The Contemporary Monoprint," exhibit through June 15. This is the second in the gallery's series of exhibitions exploring a particular printmaking process. Art historian Peter Selz will sign his new monograph "Nathan Oliveira," from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 1. Gallery hours: Reservations are suggested. Call 549-2977 for more information.

**A.C.C.I. Gallery**, 1652 Shattuck Ave., continues its exhibition "Organic," featuring six Bay Area artists, through June 14. The artists are Barbara Bobes, photography; Jean Hearst, watercolor and acrylic; Vannie Keightley, prints; Lynne Meade, ceramics; D.B. Porter, Indian ink/watercolor; and William Shinn, ceramics. Gallery hours: 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 843-2527.

**First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley**, 2407 Dana St., continues its Caregivers Survival series workshop with "Managing the Stressful Relationship between Caregiver and Care Receiver," from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 8. Paul Takayanagi, M.D., gerontology and education director will explore new ways to avoid burn out from caregiving. The workshop is free, includes a full breakfast and parking. Registration is requested. Call Alicia Shaffer at 848-6252 ex. 241 or 848-8242. For questions or more information, call Kate Gong at 548-1133.

**Trinity Chamber Concerts** present "Songs of Orpheus," at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 5, at the Trinity Chapel, Dana at Durant in Berkeley. The concert is a recital of arias and music by the Elizabethan composer John Dowland. Performers are early music specialists Zoe Vandermeer (voice and harp) and Franklin Lai (lute). For more information, call 534-7464 or visit the Web site at [www.zoe-productions.org](http://www.zoe-productions.org).

**The Baroque Choral Guild Chorus** concludes its 23rd season with "Pipes and Drums," at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 1, at the First United Methodist Church, 625 Hamilton, Palo Alto, and at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 2, at First Congregational Church, 2345 Channing Way, Berkeley. A preview lecture begins 30 minutes before each performance. Tickets: \$20 general, \$15 for seniors and students. For tickets or more information, call the Baroque Choral Guild at 650-969-4095.

**First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley**, 2407 Dana St., presents bluegrass

musical "Cotton Patch Gospel," at 8 p.m. June 7, 8, 14 and 15. The award-winning production retells the story of Jesus in the 20th century American South. Tickets: advance \$10 general, students \$7; \$12 general at the door, \$9 students at the door. For more information, call 848-6242 or visit the Web site at [www.fpcberkeley.org](http://www.fpcberkeley.org).

**Julia Morgan Center for the Arts** presents Hossein Alizadeh and Madjid Khaladji in a Traditional Persian Music Concert at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 9. Alizadeh plays the tar and performs, composes and arranges contemporary traditional Persian music. Khaladji is a virtuoso tobnak and daf player from Iran. Both are masters of their form. Julia Morgan Theater is located at 2640 College Avenue. Tickets: \$22. Call CBON ticket line at 925-798-1300 or visit the Web site at [www.theaterbaria.org](http://www.theaterbaria.org).

**Nyninga Institute** offers "Stimulating Healing and Renewal through Tibetan Yoga," at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 2, at the Tibetan Nyninga Institute, 1815 Highland Place. Admission is free. For more information, call 843-6812.

**Transparent Theater**, 1901 Ashby Ave., continues its production of Lisa Dillman's "What Cats Know," through June 9. Hours: 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday and 7 p.m. Sundays. The play is a seething comedy about four city-dwelling thirty-somethings who become entangled in a game of unexpected consequences. Admission: \$20. Sundays, pay what you can. For tickets and more information, call 883-0305, or visit the Web site at [www.transparenttheater.org](http://www.transparenttheater.org).

**The Attitude Dance Company** presents "Dream a Dance," at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, June 1, at the Julia Morgan Theater, 2640 College Ave. The company specializes in jazz, hip-hop, street funk, modern, lyrical and attitude. Tickets: \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door; \$10 students; \$8 children under 6. Call CBON Ticket line 925-798-1300.

**Berkeley Arts Magnet** students perform "The Lion King," at 7 p.m. May 30, 31, and June 4, and 5, at Whittier Arts Magnet Auditorium, 1645 Milvia St., Berkeley. One of only six schools throughout the state of California selected to receive both the California Distinguished Schools Award, and the Excellence in the Arts Award. The students, for the first time in 20 years, are presenting a musical as a single multi-media art event. Admission is free, reservations are required. For more ticket information, call 527-8369 or e-mail [lionking@profacto.com](mailto:lionking@profacto.com).

**The Berkeley High School Jazz Ensemble** and combos and the Lab Band perform at 7 p.m. Friday, May 31, at the Florence Schwimley Little Theatre, 1920 Allston Way. Tickets are available only at the door for \$8 for adults and \$5 for seniors, BHS staff and students. The box office will open at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 548-8026 or visit the Web site at [www.berkeleyhighjazz.org](http://www.berkeleyhighjazz.org).

**Ten Support Group** meets twice a month Tuesday evenings at the Women's Cancer Resource Center, 3023 Shattuck Ave. The free support group is for teens who have a parent or caregiver with cancer. The meeting is co-facilitated by a teen whose mother had breast cancer. For more information, call PediatricCare at 531-7551.

**Check out books** from the Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center Library. Spend quality time with your kids, meet with the children's librarian, research your Jewish roots or check out best sellers. The library is located at 1414 Walnut St. Hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays. For more information, call 848-0237.

**Hall of Health**, 2230 Shattuck Ave., a health exhibit museum of Children's Hospital Oakland, presents free puppet shows, 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

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## MIDDLE MANAGEMENT

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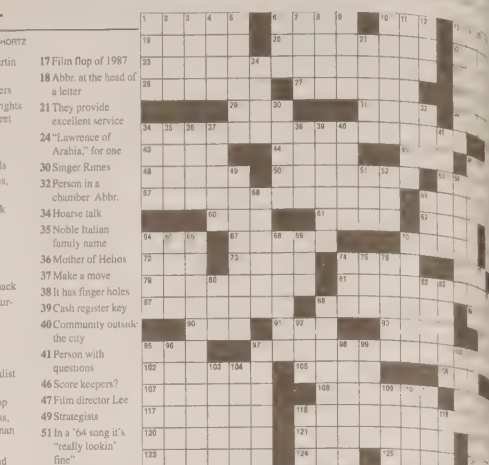
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The Kids on the Block, the award-winning educational puppet troupe, features puppets with such conditions as cerebral palsy, blindness and Down syndrome. The Hall of Health is a hands-on community, health-education museum and science center sponsored by Children's Hospital Oakland and Alta Bates Medical Center. Hours: Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call 549-9682.

**The City of El Cerrito**, offers special programs for children from 22 months to 5 years of age. These programs are designed to offer parents an opportunity to leave their pre-school children in a safe atmosphere under qualified supervision. The program for ages 22 months to 3-1/2 years meets Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon. Registration is continuous as long as space is available. Located at 7007 Mooser Lane. For more information, call Jude, 215-4371.

**LGBTQ Parent and Prospective Parent** groups meet the first Saturday of the month 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with concurrent childcare. All groups meet at the Pacific Center at 2712 Telegraph Ave. in Berkeley. Donations are requested, but not required. For information or to RSVP, contact Anna at [familyprogram@yahoo.com](mailto:familyprogram@yahoo.com) or 415-789-8560 classes.

**The Ann Martin Children's Center** offers eight "Support Groups For Mothers," sessions for first time mothers and babies their babies under 5 months. Experienced facilitator. For information: 524-0821.

**Lawrence Hall of Science**, UC Berkeley's public science museum and center for K-12 science and math education offers three residential summer science camps, including two camps held at actual University of California field research stations; and three Sierra backpacking summer science camps. Each camp emphasizes fun outdoor science explorations through hands-on, inquiry-based activities, as well as lots of traditional camp life. Each camp has a unique theme, and is designed for a specific age group. Call 642-2275 or e-mail to: [hsinfo@uclink.berkeley.edu](mailto:hsinfo@uclink.berkeley.edu). To register, call 642-5134.

**"Theater Rats,"** Julia Morgan's kid's theater camp program, offers swimming, singing, dancing, acting, and field games as some of its exciting activities. The 6-14 is a two-week session for kids 6-14. Call 883-7023 for additional information.

**Charcot Marie Tooth (CMT)** support group meets Saturdays bimonthly at West Berkeley Library, 1125 University Ave. from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. CMT is a neuroopathic disorder. Call 524-3506 for additional information.

**YWCA Health and Community Education**, drop in classes in dance, fitness, yoga, martial arts and more; University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way; 848-6370; \$8 - \$10.

## Community

**Berkeley Boosters/Police Activities League** is "Bringing the Outdoors In," to celebrate and showcase youth from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 1, at the Frances Abner Community Center of San Pablo Park in Berkeley. "Bringing the Outdoors In" is a spaghetti fund-raising dinner benefiting programs and scholarships for at-risk and low-income youth. Berkeley Boosters founded the program in 1983 to help deal with the problems that existed at that time between the police department and youth. For ticket and additional information, call Josephine at 845-7193.

**REI, East Bay Regional Park District** and East Bay Area Trails Council are hosting a trail maintenance project in Redwood Regional Park in the Oakland hills from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., June 1 with an optional camp-out Friday, May 31. Volunteer for a fun morning outdoors repairing damaged trails. No prior experience is necessary; the park staff provides all tools and supervision. Pre-registration is required. Group size is limited to 150. For more information or to pre-register for the event, call 527-7377.

Visit six private gardens in Berkeley

and El Cerrito, as part of the Garden Conservancy's National Open Days Program. Visitors may begin their tour at the Harland Hand Memorial Garden, 825 Shelvin Drive, El Cerrito, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$23 for all six gardens. In addition, the Ruth Bancroft Garden, 1500 Bancroft Road, Walnut Creek, will be having a special Open Day event, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$5. No reservations are required, and the Open Day is rain or shine. For more information, or to order the 2002 Open Days directory listing over 450 private gardens in 26 states open to the public, call The Garden Conservancy toll-free, 1-888-842-2442.

**The Berkeley Art Center**, 1275 Walnut St., hosts its 10th annual Youth Arts Festival through May 24. A city-wide celebration includes art, music, dance and poetry by talented youth from the Berkeley Unified School District. A visual art exhibition features paintings, drawings, sculptures, ceramics and mixed media by K-8th grade students. Admission: Free; workshops \$15. Call 644-6893 for scheduling and more information.

**Berkeley Camera Club** meet Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Northbrae Community Church, 941-The Alameda, Berkeley. Share your slides and prints and learn what other photographers are doing. Monthly field trips. For more information, call Don at 625-3655.

**TOPS** (Take Pounds Off Sensibly) Chapter CA 1294 is now meeting from 7:15-8:30 p.m. every Thursday evening at Mira Vista UCC Church, 7075 Cutting Blvd. TOPS is a non-profit organization assisting men and women in weight control. For more information call Betty Coates at 235-0490. This chapter has moved from Richmond.

**Turning Point** at the YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, sponsors Resume Clinics on Tuesday afternoons, or by appointment. To sign up for an appointment, leave a message several days before you would like to meet. Anne Levine Ph.D. has a background in Design and Education. For the past 10 years, she has assisted in producing numerous resumes as part of her desktop publishing business. Call 848-6370.

**Marion Rosen**, founder of Rosen Method bodywork and movement, presents the Method through lecture, demonstration, and experimental practice. Rosen is joined in the presentation by Sara Webb, Senior Teacher of Rosen Method bodywork. Location: Feldenkrais Resources, 830 Bancroft Way. Admission: \$10. Reservations are strongly recommended. For more information or to make a reservation, contact Abby Paige, at 845-8606.

**Berkeley's Office of Emergency Services** presents a new series of free Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) classes. The classes give basic, practical information, including hands-on training in fire suppression, light search and rescue, and disaster first aid. All classes are held at the fire department's Emergency Operations Center, 997 Cedar St. The classes are open to everyone, 18 or older, who lives or works in Berkeley. To register, or for more information, call the Office of Emergency Services, 644-8736.

**Berkeley Art Museum**, Pacific Film Archive offers a guided tour of Equal Partner: Men and Women Principals in Contemporary Architectural Practice presented by graduate students from the UC-Berkeley Department of Architecture, College of Environmental Design on Alternating Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. and on Sundays at 2 p.m. For additional information call 642-0808.

**Overeaters Anonymous** meet Fridays at 1:30 PM at the Northbrae Community Church in Berkeley, 941 The Alameda between Solano and Marin avenues, in Room 2—the child-care room—parents may bring their children. This organization is for individuals who eat compulsively? For further information, call Katherine at 525-5231.

**Toastmasters**, do it now. Stand up and say what you mean. Come practice Tuesday, noon to 1 p.m. at 700 Heinz Ave. Call 883-8708 for additional information.

Civil Rights activists needed. Write

the ACLU chapter of Berkeley, Albany, Richmond, and Kensington, P.O. Box 11141, Berkeley, CA, 94701.

**"Work Buddies"**, volunteers needed to perform volunteer work with people in early stage Alzheimer's Disease. Minimum six-month commitment, two to three hours per week. Training provided. Contact Nannette Lupton, 644-8292.

**Psychic Healing clinic**, 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays; free clinic at the Academy for Psychic Studies in Berkeley, aura cleansing, stress relief, 1-800-642-9355.

**SMART project**, the Alcohol Research Group at Berkeley is conducting a study to compare the cost and effectiveness of two kinds of substance abuse day treatment: medical model day treatment and social model day treatment. By calling 1-888-249-8802 and agreeing to do three interviews, individuals chosen for the study receive free treatment at existing treatment programs.

**The Edible Schoolyard**, an organic gardening and cooking program at Berkeley's King Middle School, seeks volunteers to work with students, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 558-1335.

**English-In-Action** lets you make friends from around the world. Volunteer as a conversation partner with a foreign UC scholar/student for one hour a week. YWCA, at Berkeley, Call 843-9716.

**Women's Daytime Drop-in Center** in Berkeley: serving women who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, needs volunteers. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are needed for morning and afternoon shifts. For more information, call 468-5663.

## Exhibit

**Suzuki Studio**, 2240 Grant St., presents nationally-known artist Lewis Suzuki from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and Sunday, June 1 and 2, and Saturday, and Sunday, June 8 and 9. Suzuki is known for his use of watercolor in a wide range and subject matter. He has painted extensively in California, Oregon, Mexico, Japan, China and the Philippines. For more information, call 949-1427.

**Albany Arts Gallery**, 1251 Solano Ave. Albany, presents an exhibition of recent color photographs by Gordon H. Nagai. Kimberly Martinez and Kristi Hardy from May 31 through June 30. Gallery hours: Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 526-9558.

**"Palestinian Children Recreate Their World"**, reception, art show and fund-raiser is from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at the Nexus Gallery, 2701 Eighth St. (at Carleton). A \$10 donation is requested. This is a benefit to raise funds for support services for women and children in the West Bank and Gaza. For more information, call 531-4771.

**The UC Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive** continues its exhibit of Masterworks of Chinese Painting through May 26. The Cahill collections, historically known as the Ching Yuan Call Collection represent virtually every period and phase of Chinese paintings over the last 300 years and include major figure paintings and a selection of botanical and animal subjects. General admission: \$6; seniors and students 12-18 years, \$4; BAM/PFA members, UC Berkeley students, staff and faculty, and children under 12 are free. For more information call 642-0808.

**The Richmond Museum of History** continues exhibits highlighting Richmond's agricultural beginnings, industrial achievements, and homefront contributions during WWII. Special exhibits and events are held throughout the year. The museum is located in the historic 1910 Carnegie Library in the Old Downtown area at the corner of 4th Street and Nevins Ave. Call 235-7387 for more information or to arrange tours.

**The City of El Cerrito** presents Open Clay Studio ongoing classes on Mondays, 7-9 p.m. Experience with clay is helpful, but not necessary. Opportunities will be provided for students to explore areas of clay work. Demonstrations and instruction will be provided.

**Reading Edge** is a public use of the Berkeley library, 2121 Alameda. Public use of the library is available for a fee. It requires a library card. Users must be 18 years old. Training session before Reading Edge. Users are needed. Call 844-8648 to register.

**Improve your skills** by attending Berkeley Toastmasters meetings. Third Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. at Valt's Coffee Street. Call 527-2337 for more information.

**The Berkeley Center** Tuesday evenings Northbrae Community Church. The Alameda. Share your prints and learn what other photographers are doing. For more information, call 644-8648 to register.

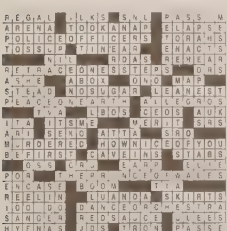
**Free seminar on** Rhythms, a holistic child development, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Berkeley Public Library, Claremont Branch. The program each stage of a child's development and transitions required. Call 800-200-0000 for more information.

**Berkeley Camera Club** 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 941-The Alameda, Berkeley. Share your prints and learn what other photographers are doing. For more information, call 644-8648 to register.

**Kensington Senior Center** meets from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Kensington Community Center. The center provides a social and educational environment for seniors. For more information, call 844-8648 to register.

**Disabled Americans** 25 meets monthly. The center provides a social and educational environment for disabled Americans. For more information, call 844-8648 to register.

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**YVCA** offers free orientations of the Point Career Center. The Point Career Center, 2600 Bancroft Way, offers free orientations of the resources available to the public and the great workshops held every Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. The Turning Point Career Center is located at 2600 Bancroft Way. For more information, call 891-5560.

**Berkeley Avatar Metaphysics** Club meet on the first and third Thursdays, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at 2515 Hillegass Ave. Public speaking skills and metaphysics classes are offered. For more information, call 891-5560 or 643-7845.

**Metaphysics** Club meet on the first and third Thursdays, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at 2515 Hillegass Ave. The club specializes in developing its members in public speaking and metaphysics. The group also learn from each other through short speeches. Call 891-5560 or 643-7845 for more information.

**Washington Senior Activity Center** meets on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Arlington Community Center, 2500 Arlington Ave. The center offers a variety of programs of life-long learning presented by the West Contra Costa Adult School. Attend classes or event you choose. Everyone is welcome. Call 526-4503 or 891-5560 for additional information.

**YVCA** offers free orientations of the Point Career Center, 2600 Bancroft Way. The orientations outline the resources and the variety of workshops it offers to the public. For more information, call 891-5560.

**Smart! Join Beijing Express** Toastmasters. The Smart Club! Meet every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Peking Express Restaurant, 2600 Center St. For additional information, call 549-9571.

**Toastmasters Meeting:** Stand up and speak what you mean. Come practice your skills. Every Tuesday, Noon to 1 p.m. at 1000 Heron Ave. Berkeley. Call 891-5560 for additional information.

**Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS)** meets every Thursday evening at the Holy Trinity Church, Richmond, on the corner of Arlington. Call Betty Jones at 255-0490 for more information.

**Yiddish:** Yiddish conversation class at the North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst. Call 644-6107 for more information. The Berkeley Toastmasters Club meets on the first and third Wednesday nights from 7:15 to 8:30 a.m. at Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant. Call 891-5560.

**Berkeley Arthritis Support and Action Group** meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except January) 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the Auditorium, Henick Campus, 2600 Hearst Way. For additional information, call 891-5560.

**Toastmasters on Campus** meet the first and fourth Wednesday of the month 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. at the Language Program Building, Hillegass. Details: 704-1822.

**Public speaking skills and metaphysics** come together at Avatar Metaphysics Toastmasters. On-going classes meet first and third Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., 2515 Hillegass. Call 891-5560 for details.

**Healing** is a group exploring the psychological and spiritual dimensions of illness and healing. The group meets on the second Friday of each month, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in North Berkeley. Call 528-1235 for more information.

creating spiritual partnerships; Feldenkrais Center, 830 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; (415) 461-5337; \$20.

■ **Alta Bates Support Groups** - Arthritis Support Group meets the second Tuesday of every month; 1 - 2:30 p.m.; 204-4503. Call for additional special events.

■ **Overeaters Anonymous**, a 12 step program providing free aid for those with eating problems, meets in Berkeley every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. (newcomers at 8 a.m.) at St. John's Church, 2727 College Ave. and in Richmond every Thursday at 7 p.m. at Kaiser Hospital, 901 Nevin (take Elevator C to the third floor). For further information, call 273-9292.

■ **TOPS:** 9:30 a.m., Mondays; Take Pounds Off Sensibly, Albany Chapter meets at 980 Stannage St. at Marin; 233-2948 or Karen, 525-6858.

■ **Alta Bates Rehabilitation Center** and East Bay Neurology sponsors a free monthly stroke support group. No advance reservations are required, drop-in anytime. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Maffei Auditorium on Henick Campus, 2001 Dwight way, Berkeley. Details: 204-4503.

Music

■ **The Crowden Music Center** presents a concert in memory of Bay Area pianist and chamber musician Nathan Schwartz at 4 p.m. Sunday, June 2, at 1475 Rose St. A widely-admired pianist and chamber musician, Mr. Schwartz concertized with many of the music world's outstanding performers. He was a founding member of the Naumburg Award-winning, Francesco Trio and a partner in the Hampton-Schwartz Duo with his wife, Bonnie Hampton. For more information, call 559-6910 or visit the Web site at [www.thecrowdenschool.org](http://www.thecrowdenschool.org).

■ **Park Day School** students explore the theme of Afghanistan in "Journey to Understanding: Echoes of Afghanistan," at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, and Thursday, June 5 and 6, at the Julia Morgan Theatre, 2640 College Ave. Tickets, available at the door, are \$12; children under 12 are free. For more information, call 845-8542 or visit the Web site at [www.juliamorgan.org](http://www.juliamorgan.org).

■ **Trinity Chamber Concerts** Series presents harpist Zoe Vandermeer, at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, June 2, at Trinity Chapel 2320 Dana St. Vandermeer will perform vocal and instrumental selections by Dowland, Byrd, Caccini, Frescobaldi, Rognonno and others on both triple harp and Italian spinet. Admission is by donation; no one will be turned away for lack of the suggested donation price of \$12 general and \$5 for students seniors, or handicapped. For more information, call 549-3664.

■ **The Bluegrass Intentions** perform at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 1, at Down Home Music, 10341 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito and at 8 p.m., at the Freight & Salvage, 1111 Addison. The group's new CD "Old as Dirt," was released in January. Tickets: \$16.50 in advance; \$17.50 p.m. at the door. For more information, visit the Web site at [www.ericandsuzzy.com/bluegrass.htm](http://www.ericandsuzzy.com/bluegrass.htm).

■ **Sacred and Profane**, a chamber chorus directed by Eduardo Mendelievich presents "El Guero," at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at the St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, in Berkeley. Tickets: \$15 general, \$12 seniors and students at the door, and \$13 general, \$10 seniors and students

in advance. For ticket and concert information, call 524-3511.

■ **Chamber Music Sundaes** presents the Navarro Trio at 3:15 p.m. Sunday, May 26, at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. The Trio features violinist Jeremy Constant, cellist Jill Rachuy Brindel and pianist Marilyn Thompson. The program includes a concert of trios by Bridge and Beethoven and the Sonata for violin and cello by Maurice Ravel. Tickets are \$18. \$14 for students and seniors. For more information, call 415-584-5946.

■ **Bella Musica Chorus**, Arlene Sagan conductor, presents "O Divine Earth, Early Music of the Sacred and secular," at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at St. Joseph the Worker, 1640 Addison Street (at McGee) and Sunday, 4 p.m. Sunday, May 19, at Corpus Christi Church, 322 St. James Drive, Piedmont. For more information or to purchase advance tickets, call Arlene Sagan at 525-5393.

■ **Berkeley Opera** presents Vivian Fine's "The Women in the Garden," through 25, at Berkeley's Hillside Club, 2286 Cedar St. (at Arch St.) Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, May 23, and 24 and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 25. "The Women in the Garden" brings together four remarkable artists whose iconoclastic, uncompromising vision profoundly influenced modern poetry, literature and dance; Emily Dickinson, Isadora Duncan, Gertrude Stein, and Virginia Woolf. Tickets: \$30 general admission, \$25 for seniors, and \$15 youth. Tickets are available at the Willows Theater Box Office, 925-798-1300. For more information, call 841-1903.

■ **The Distaff Singers**, an established East Bay Women's chorus, is seeking new members. No auditions required, just a love of singing. Classical, pop, sacred, Broadway. Rehearsals Tuesday nights, 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Call Michelle 801-5624, or L.J. 482-1677.

■ **Ducksan Distones**, featuring Donald Bailey on piano, vocals, harmonica, Isalah Dixon, Acoustic Bass, Michael Lanford, Drums and Larry Giustino on Fretless Gibson L4, perform every Saturday night from 10 to 11 p.m. at Anna's Place, 1801 University at Grant. All ages welcome.

■ **Ashkenaz**, 1317 San Pablo Ave., presents Grateful Dead DJ night with Digital Dave and Jazz Z.D. on Thursday nights from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets are \$4. Call 594-1400 for additional information.

■ **Friday Night Folk Dancing:** 8 p.m. - 11 p.m.; no partners necessary for line dances taught from Rumania, Bulgaria, Israel, Turkey, Near East and other lands each Friday from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., followed by request dances from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. No experience necessary - all ages welcome. Albany YMCA, 901 Kains Ave., \$4; call 525-1542.

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Outdoors

■ **The UC Berkeley Botanical Garden**, 200 Centennial Drive, Strawberry Canyon, offers a free sick plant clinic on the first Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to noon. Dr. Raabe will diagnose. For more information, call 643-2755.

■ **Learn to feed and care** for orphaned baby birds: house sparrows, starlings and pigeons are introduced species that are not afforded care by rehabilitation groups. You can make an important contribution in returning these species to the wild life they deserve to have. Free training and some supplies. Call Myrna 531-3042 or Lela 655-3911.

■ **Turning Point** at the YVCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, offers "Scrubble Time," a technique that helps participants understand themselves and to find focus. The group meets on Tuesdays by appointments and is free to YVCA members. Call 848-6370 for additional information, leave a message for Anne Levine.

■ **East Bay Regional Park Botanical Garden** Tilden Park, presents regular tours, seven days a week. Week days 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, and Sundays 2 p.m. Special tours by appointment. Call 841-8732. For a schedule of upcoming classes call 925-820-1021.

Support

■ **Alta Bates Comprehensive Cancer Center**, 2001 Dwight Way, offers eight consecutive Wednesday discussion evenings entitled "I Can Cope," from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. through May 29. The sessions are free for adults with cancer and their family members and friends. For more information or to make a reservation, call 204-4895.

■ **Alta Bates Medical Center** presents a free support group for family, friends caring for older adults from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., on the third Wednesday of each month. The session takes place at the Henick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way, Berkeley, third floor, room 3369B (take elevator B). The group will focus on the needs of older adults with serious medical problems, psychiatric illnesses, such as depression, dementia and/or substance abuse. For more information or if interested in a private consultation, call 802-1725.

■ **The number of recent tragedies** both locally and across the nation can evoke reactions that can affect us emotionally, physically, in our thoughts and behavior. Alameda County Crisis Support Services offers help through its 24-hour crisis line, grief counseling, education and community debriefing programs. Call 849-2212 for more information.

■ **A free Yoga for Cancer** class meets every Wednesday from 11:30 to

12:45 p.m. at the Alta Bates Comprehensive Cancer Center. The classes are open to both current patients and long-term survivors. Call Janet, 891-5560, for directions and more information.

■ **Restorative Yoga** class meets on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in central Berkeley. Cost: \$10 per class. Easy, luxurious stretches and mindful breathing help to ease tension and discomfort and open the body to relaxation and well-being. Call Janet, 891-5560, for directions and more information.

■ **Adult Survivors** of incest, a local support group in the east bay is being formed. The group will gather for healing discussions and also various activities, including hiking, dancing, classic film watching, traveling, or any fun activity. Interested participants, call Tica Peace at 625-1698. Feel free to leave a message.

■ **The pain and grief** associated with the death of a loved one can often feel overwhelming — especially during the holidays. Many people suffer isolation. The grief counseling project is here to help. No one is turned away for lack of money. Call 889-1104.

■ **The Grief Care Community** offers 8-week bereavement support groups as well as art therapy grief groups, and individual support. Call 540-0830 for additional information.

■ **The local self-help group** for Berkeley National Multiple Sclerosis Society meets periodically. Call Toni at 653-4534 for additional information.

■ **Alta Bates Medical Center** Henick Campus offers a guided relaxation and visualization for people with cancer every Thursday, 5-6 p.m. at its Comprehensive Cancer Center, first floor Conference Room, 2001 Dwight Way. The Center offers this solution with an innovative approach to reducing stress and anxiety and creating positive, life-affirming images. Call 204-1811 for additional information.

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■ **Alta Bates Medical Center**, offers a Grief Education Class every third Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. to noon at ABMC Henick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way. The class covers common and personal grief reactions. Fee: \$10. No one refused due to inability to pay. For further information, contact 841-2930.

■ **Alta Bates Medical Center**, 3001 Dwight Way, offers support group classes for stroke survivors and their families and friends on the first Tuesday of the month, from 4-5 p.m. at the Henick Campus of Alta Bates Medical Center. There is no admission charge and advance registration is not necessary. Call 204-4503 for additional information.

■ **The Comprehensive Cancer Center** Dwight Way, offers support group for friends and families coping with cancer. The support group is offered on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. This is a free service. Call 204-1811 for additional information.

■ **The Lupus Foundation** of Northern California is still accepting applications for its Youth Pilot Support Program currently underway at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford. The group meets monthly and is open to teens suffering from lupus and other rheumatic diseases. For more information, call (408) 954-8600 or visit [www.balf.org](http://www.balf.org).

■ **The City of Berkeley Portable Meals** program desperately needs drivers to deliver 15 meals once a week to homebound seniors. Call 644-8590.

■ **The North Berkeley Senior Center** is also seeking volunteers to work in its gift shop, coffee bar and dining area three to four hours, one day a week. Call 644-6107.

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Culture/Workshop

Workshop for families to learn how to use the Internet and use healthier ways to take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, at the Public Library, 1247 Marin Avenue, Berkeley. Each attendee will receive a CD-ROM and a comprehensive overview of the Internet. For more information, call 843-1699.

Shakespeare Garden offers a free tour from 9 a.m. to noon, first and third Saturdays of the month at Strawberry Hill, 200 Centennial Drive, Berkeley. For more information, call 843-2755.

Richmond Jewish Community Center expanded its collection of Jewish fiction, nonfiction and Jewish books. Meet the children's author research your Jewish roots. The library has the public. Hours: 11 and 1 p.m. through Thursday; 1 p.m. through Saturday. For more information, call 848-0237.

Chuan and Chi-Kung classes at Berkeley Unitarian Universalist Church. 7 p.m. on Wednesday and 9 a.m. Saturday morning. 1924 Cedar St. Peopledance and physical conditions. Donation: \$5. For more information, call 268-4995.

Local offers free orientations of the Turning Point Career Center. The one-hour session outlines the resources available to the public as well as the differences that the center has to offer.

such as a great variety of workshops. They are held every Tuesday, at 1:30 p.m. The Turning Point Career Center is located at 2600 Bancroft Way. For more information, call 848-6370.

■ **Learn Computer Applications for the "working" world** Using Windows '95 and '98 and Microsoft Office 2000 software, Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, Publisher. Class offered: Monday-Friday, 2:15 - 6:15 p.m. Location: Contra Costa County Office of Education, 13925 San Pablo Ave., Suite No. 111, San Pablo. For information call 237-0840 or visit the web site at www.cccoe.k12.ca.us/rop.

■ **"What is Meditation,"** is a peaceful and practical introduction to the basics of meditation. The free seminar takes place at Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 2352 Shattuck Ave. Pragnito Dove is the facilitator. Call 644-0861 for additional information. Emotions Anonymous: Twelve-Step meetings every Sunday at 8 p.m. Call 236-8226 for Berkeley location.

Theater, Dance & Film

@@ ■ **Good News Productions**, in association with the Black Repertory Group, presents Toni Houston's play "Remember Me O'Lord," at 8 p.m. Friday, May 31; 2:30 and 8 p.m. Saturday, June 1, and 5 p.m. Sunday, June 2. The gospel comedy is the first of twelve original plays. The production takes place at Black Repertory Group at 3201 Adeline St. Admission: \$15 in advance; \$18 at the door. For more information, call Black Repertory Group at 652-2120 or 719-8466.

■ **Shotgun Players** continues its 10th anniversary season with "Medea," through Thursday, June 1, at UC Theatre, 2036 University Ave. Time: 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays; 7 p.m. Sundays. "Medea," a demi-goddess

and woman scorned, acts out her fury toward her husband Jason by murdering their children. Tickets: \$18 adults; \$12 for children, seniors and TBA members. Call 704-8210 for reservations. Visit the Web site www.shotgun-players.org for more information.

■ **Learn easy international folk dances**, fun for all ages at the Albany YMCA, 921 Kains Ave. No experience necessary. Wear comfortable shoes and come prepared for a good time. Admission: Adults \$2 and \$1 for kids. For more information, call 525-1130.

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■ **The South Berkeley Senior Center**, 2939 Ellis St., offers a variety of classes. For additional information and class scheduling, call 883-5222.

■ **Interview Clinics** sponsored by Turning Point Center at the YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, are held on Monday mornings from 9-11 by appointment. 30-minute sessions are \$15 for YWCA members and \$20 for non-members. Call the Center at 848-6370 and leave a message to reserve an appointment

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■ **Turning Point** at the YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, presents Scribble Time on Tuesdays, by appointment. The class is free to YWCA members. This technique is designed to help individuals understand themselves better. Call 848-6370 for additional information. Leave a message for Anne Levine.

■ **The Ecology Center**, 2530 San Pablo Ave., presents an introductory class for the home fruit grower. Proper pruning increases the flavor and size of fruit, as well as preserves the health and longevity of the tree. There will also be a demonstration of various pruning tools. The class is taught by Greg Peck, owner of an organic landscape and garden design business in the East Bay. Cost is \$10 for non-members; \$7.50 for members. Call 548-2220 to reserve a space.

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■ **A CopWatch** class takes place every Monday night from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at 2022 Blake St. near Shattuck. Know your rights. The classes are free. Call 548-0425 for additional information.

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■ **Ashkenaz**, 1317 San Pablo Ave., offers many dance classes ranging from Afro-Cuban to Kalaranji Dances of India, to West Coast Swing to Lindy Hop and East Coast Swing. The Ashkenaz is a nonprofit music and dance community center. Call 525-5054 for additional information.

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## Classic

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just barely — and he took several measures to improve the situation. Installing an electric fuel pump solved a persistent fuel delivery problem to the 250-cubic-inch straight eight-cylinder engine. In good health the engine produces 110 horsepower.

Finding parts for a car of which only 5,474 were manufactured can present a daunting challenge. In 1977, Howard was transferred by the New York Telephone Co. to Buffalo where he continued his endeavor to return his grandfather's Studebaker to presentable — if not like new — condition.

The Studebaker was loaded into the moving van along with the household goods and furniture. Upon retirement in 1981, Howard wanted to move to Florida; however, he didn't want to place the Studebaker under the stress such a trip would cause so he trailed it to Cape Coral, Fla.

Although the car is approaching 65 years of age, the odometer is just now nearing 48,000 miles, a figure Howard believes is accurate. Accessories include a heater, clock, radio, overdrive and seat covers. "With the seat covers off," Howard says, "the upholstery should look like new."

The famous Studebaker Hill Holder was standard equipment on the President as well as the 18-gallon gasoline tank. Now that Howard has moved to North Ft. Myers, where the terrain is mostly flat, he reports city mileage of about 12 miles per gallon.

"On the highway in its heyday," Howard says, "it

could get 18 to 19 miles per gallon, with overdrive."

The 16-foot, 7 1/4-inch-long car rides on a 122-inch wheelbase supported by 6.50x16-inch tires. "I just replaced the tires," Howard says. "The ones on the car were about 50 years old."

The spare tire is mounted vertically behind the back seat in the trunk.

Owning a relatively rare car of this vintage means always searching for parts. Howard recalls the lengthy search three years ago for a rear transmission oil seal. He eventually located one in Illinois.

Over the years the laminated glass has separated and Howard has replaced the panes as necessary. Thus far that includes both windshields and the windows in both front doors.

The car has a dozen windows so the replacement process may take awhile.

As long as the Studebaker is moving, the angular wing vent windows keep the occupants comfortable. "There's no air conditioning, but the windows really scoop the air in," Howard says.

The car is used locally now. The longest trip since moving to Florida has been to a Studebaker event about 75 miles away in Sarasota. Howard recalls making the trouble-free 150-mile round trip behind the three-spoke banjo-style steering wheel.

Howard's wife, Constance, presented him with the special "Old Honey" license plate. Back when the Studebaker was new, Howard's parents took him to visit his grandfather and upon first seeing the car the young boy exclaimed, "It's a honey!" That is how the family has referred to the car ever since.

"Old Honey is the car, not me," Howard's wife clar-



**THIS 1938 Studebaker President Cruising Sedan**, one of only 5,474 made, has been in the family for three generations. The car has 48,000 miles and gets about 12 miles to the gallon on city roads in Florida.

ifies. Howard says that when he gets tired of keeping "Old Honey" running, his son William in New York has expressed a desire to become the fourth generation of Howards to own this treasured 1938 Studebaker President Cruising Sedan.

If you have a vehicle of interest, write to Motor Matters, c/o Hills Newspapers, 1051 Burnett Ave., Concord, N.C. 28027-4109. Please include phone number and e-mail address.

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**Q** My 1990 Buick LeSabre air conditioner blower won't run on the low speeds most of the time. High speed runs fine and low speeds run occasionally.

I have replaced the four-position blower switch and the wire resistor part under the hood without success. Any ideas?

**William Norton, Huntsville, Ala.**

**A** I ran your situation by my students, who have virtually memorized this circuit as part of their electrical diagnostic training.

Their answers were unanimous: The LeSabre needs a new blower relay (GM part 25553347).

This part, located on the firewall above and to the right of the blower motor, passes electrical current to the motor for the three lower speeds through a pair of normally closed contacts.

When high speed is selected, the relay is energized and a third contact directs battery voltage directly to the blower motor.

Over time, switches and relays can develop oxidized or burnt contacts, resulting in poor or intermittent circuit operation.

To verify the faulty relay, attempt to run the blower on one of the inoperative speeds, and tap on the relay a few times with a screwdriver handle, or jump the dark blue and

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Auto Questions and Answers

purple wires together (insert a large paper clip or wire into the back side of the relay's wiring connector).

If the blower comes to life, the relay contacts are faulty. If not, the problem lies in the dark blue wire or medium-high resistor (highly unlikely).

**Q** The "check engine" light came on in my 1996 Ford Explorer late last year.

I took it to the local Ford dealership shortly afterward, and they detected a catalytic converter fault and recommended replacing it.

Although the original equipment part costs \$800, a generic replacement is available from a local muffler shop for about \$200.

Since the performance and gas mileage appeared to be unaffected by the problem, I decided to postpone replacing the catalytic converter.

The light has repeated several times during the 7,000 miles the vehicle has been driven since the fault was diagnosed. The vehicle currently has about 98,500 miles on it.

Do I really need a new catalytic converter or could something else

be causing the problem?

**Nelson May, Baton Rouge, La.**

**A** There can be dozens of reasons for your "check engine" light to come on.

If you're sure the cause was (and still is) a catalytic converter reduced efficiency code, the converter is either weak or damaged.

Catalytic converters can be damaged, or their lives shortened, by engine-control system faults, cylinder misfiring or physical (impact) damage.

The Explorer's OBD-II diagnostic system checks the converter for oxygen storage capacity frequently. It will illuminate the check engine light if it falls short.

If it is a weak converter, should you change it?

A degraded converter will not harm vehicle performance, but you'll be emitting higher emissions than normal, and you might not pass an emissions inspection.

The answer lies between you and your conscience.

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## Keane

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Most buyers select sedans for the passenger convenience of getting in and out of the vehicle.

The Corolla tester even had improvements in this area. Interior designers not only improved the seats with better support for all occupants, they raised seating H-points for an easier entry and exit.

The powerplant, mated to the manual transmission, proved to be an extraordinary little performer.

As I manually shifted through all the five gears, the performance was healthy and enthusiastic.

I felt a stronger, sturdier body when driving into corners, as well as tighter and more secure handling qualities. The body structure was confidence-inspiring.

Toyota engineers say this new Corolla is quicker and faster than past versions.

The sporty sedan is powered by a 1.8-liter, four-cylinder twin-cam engine that generates 130 horsepower at 6,000 rpm (5 horsepower over the previous model) and 125 pound-feet of torque at 4,200 rpm.

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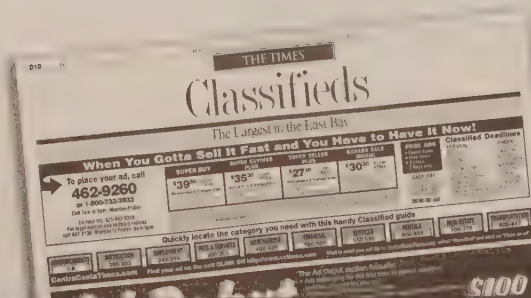
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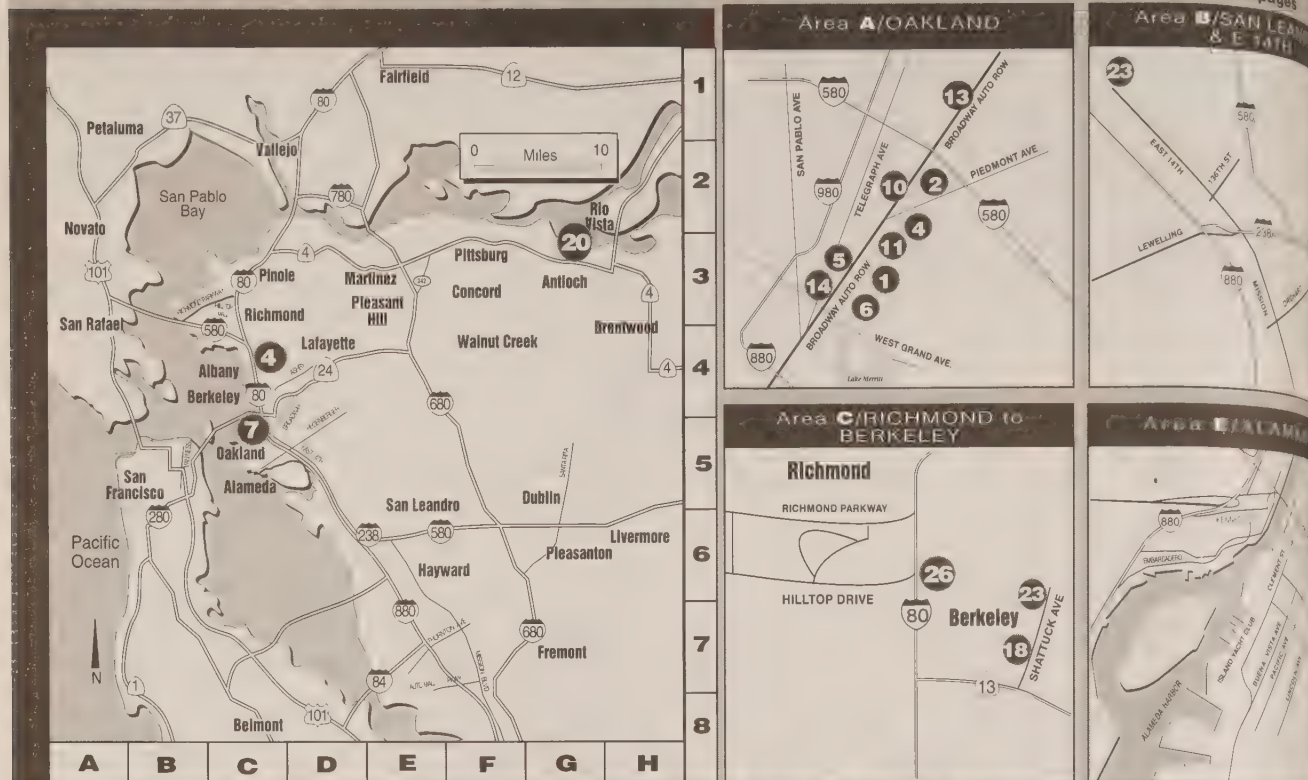
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equipment, bike, new appliances,  
vertical blinds, books,  
clothes, lots more.

**SATURDAY 6/1 9AM-2PM**  
(Off Arden)  
Household items, books,  
equip., clothes & more

**672 So. Livermore Ave.**  
SAT. JUNE 1st 8-2  
Books, clothing, household  
items, collectibles, lamps,  
pictures, many treasures &  
misc. items.

**YARD SALE**  
SATURDAY 9AM-3PM  
SUNDAY 10AM-3PM  
1047 ALISON CIRCLE  
Lots of kids toys, books, &  
clothes. Port-a-cub, cozy  
coupe, hshld. items, etc.

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**ANTIQUE VINTAGE  
HOUSEHOLD**  
SAT-SUN JUNE 1-2, 10-4  
3220 ALHAMBRA AVE.  
Antiques, tables, chairs,  
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Kayaks, Tents, Surf Board,  
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Something for everyone.  
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2 family yard sale  
8:00am-2:00pm  
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**HUGE SALE!!**  
Friday 4-7, Saturday 8-2  
Oodles of stuff! VHS mov-  
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lots of clothes (boys to 22  
& girls to 7), 30's mags &  
stuff, scrapbook supplies.  
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119 FOUNTAINHEAD CT.

**LARGE 4 FAMILY  
GARAGE SALE**  
SAT. JUNE 1-2  
1032 KERRI ANN DR.  
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Housewares, Dishes &  
More!

**MOVING**  
Everything Must Go  
4235 VALLEY AVE.  
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kitchen table, bedroom  
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set, \$700. Full sz. bed, w/  
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Cherry cab. dresser & b-  
rm. \$500 & misc. items.  
439 Orchard View Ave.  
(925) 228-7533

**MULTI Family Garage Sale**  
SAT. JUNE 1st 9-2PM  
272 Sunnyvale & Briar Dr.  
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Furniture, kids clothes,  
toys, books, bikes, craft  
supplies, wheelchair,  
walker & much more.

**SAT. ONLY JUNE 1st, 8-3**  
803 Sterling Dr.  
Mission oak din. set, \$400;  
new thw. chr., \$375; book-  
case, coffee tbl., futon; mi-  
cro. kit. items, basket ball  
hoop, keyboard, B&W bike;  
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**5 FAMILY SALE**  
SAT. JUNE 1st 8-1  
Speakers, furn. clothes  
books, household items &  
much more.  
2129 Ascot Dr. #9  
(park on street, walk in on  
driveway)

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Furn./artwork/light fixtures,  
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kid's clothes 0-5 yrs., boys  
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3006 SYLVAN AVE.  
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Bedroom furniture, stereo  
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147 HIGH ST.

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207 Riley Dr.  
Crib, twin bed  
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## Piedmont

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SAT. 6/1 9am-2pm  
284 Bay Crest Dr.  
(Near Mecca Cafe)  
Rattan bar with stools;  
Computer desk/games;  
gaming equip.; lawn ware  
TV stand, books; & more!

**YARD SALE SAT. ONLY 6/1**  
8am-4pm 2234 Santa  
Versa Drive 92021 (off  
Gracie Ave) No Early Birds

**3-CAR GARAGE SALE**  
Estate type items, furni-  
ture, jewelry, collectibles, com-  
puter stuff, VHS, clothing  
something for everyone!  
Sat. Sun. 6/1 & 6/2, 7:30 am  
P-1 Rd to Grayson

**GARAGE SALE**  
Sat 8 to 3pm  
1014 Meadow ave  
170 DUNE DRIVE  
Retired Beane's & Attic's  
Clothes, Furniture, Lots of  
misc. All must go

**HUGE GARAGE SALE**  
SATURDAY 9AM-2PM  
2637 EMMA DRIVE  
Girls toys & clothes 8-10  
Furniture, exercise bike,  
baby stuff, kid's videos &  
tons more

**SAT 6/1 7am to 7**  
2777 Oak Ct.  
(couple of blocks up behind  
Jack in the Box) Construc-  
tion tools, call phones,  
wheel barrels, bunk bed,  
hydraulic motor, oak trim,  
file cabinets, bikes & more

**MOVING SALE**  
Sat. 6/1 & 6/2, 9-2  
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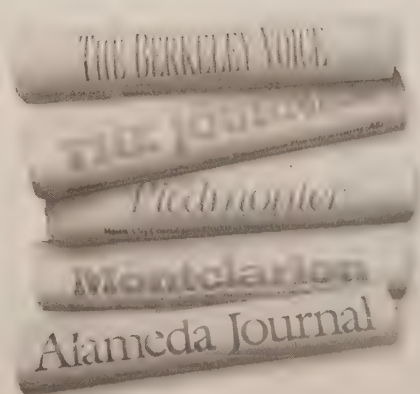
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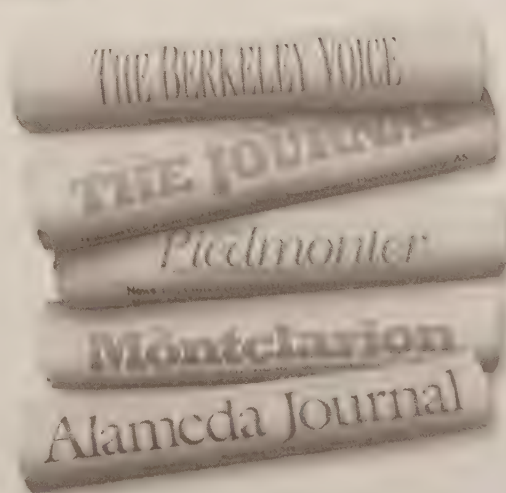
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ski, excel shape, low hrs.  
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jet ski, handling features,  
cruise, 1995, 1996, 1997,  
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eng. hrs., excel cond.  
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engine, \$4299 925/736-3547

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person, top cond., 2 drive-  
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2 seat/2 stroke, excellent  
condition, must sell, \$2500  
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cond. Even in storage.  
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elec, 35 H.P., 82 Evinrude,  
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AVENGER 1987 17' Mercu-  
ry 135HP, all collected Bim-  
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Competition Ski boat. 165  
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V6, 350 hp, low hrs, slip 4,  
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1999 18' Merc. C/B, 120hp  
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\$14,995 obo 510-222-8142

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Johnson, eng, trf, 1987  
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9.9 stroke electric start  
start, \$2750, 925/634-0317  
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1996 16' FISH low price  
115 Merc. skel, 1987  
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9.9 stroke electric start  
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175HP excel cond, w/1987  
rolling motor, 50HP Ficht  
Evinrude

16FT BLUEWATER Skiboat  
seats/cpt/bimini/top. \$4000  
Htg/lpg/1000m/1000p

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Evinrude

20' JET CRAFT 2001 V-drive  
Johnson prop & jet unit, 9.9  
Johnson stroke, tandem  
guy, trf, 1995 or extra  
\$20K (925) 458-2922

12' KLAMATH w/6.5 Evin-  
rude, trailer & extras \$980  
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'82 14' KLAMATH boat  
w/30 Calhoun trf, 19HP Evin-  
rude, motor, w/1987, 161  
\$1100 obo (925) 484-0921

26' LANCER SAILBOAT  
excel w/1987 head, 550  
TV & VCR, slip, 4, Furl-  
eys to sail. Asking \$5500  
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40 HP Merc, w/1987, 161  
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LEWIS 1973 28' Sportfish-  
er, twin diesel, \$16,500  
1982 Boat trf, 22 dual axle  
1950, 925/776-8002

1998 MASTERCRAFT Ski  
boat, all extras, no trailer,  
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1998 MONTEREY 21', 40  
hp, low hrs, 22 dual axle  
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bow, 1200 HP, 100 gal  
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cond. \$18K (925) 779-0744

SEARAY 1990 18' gd  
cond, well maint., \$30 Hrs  
\$7100 925/2561455

'87 SEASWIRL 22 Corsair,  
V8, extras, trf, \$3000 obo  
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Out, \$5000 925/709-1593

SKI CENTURION 1998  
Bowrider, Less than 100  
hrs, low hrs, many toys  
\$2500 obo 925/835-3720

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drive, low hrs, safety & jay  
equip, \$30K (925) 844-5152

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1976 SKYLARK Bass boat,  
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28' self-cont, roof & dash  
A/C, Chan gen, 460 Ford  
eng, rear beds, slide 8  
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stove/sink/potty/hw/awning,  
22 ft, 1987, 1987, 1987,  
\$3950 510/831-4926

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1980's Chevy full size short  
bed \$450 925/829-2044

1991 FORD F350 Dually  
Ext. Cab, w/1994 Lance  
camper, 22 ft, 1987, 1987,  
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ITASCAR 79 Class A 28' slip  
8, bunk house, 81K, clean,  
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ALCO 1998 20', rear BA, 40  
A/C, awning, loaded,  
\$10,800, 925/616-6289

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2001 KIT Road Ranger 32'  
5th wheel, 2 slides, 2001  
Ford F250 Super Duty Die-  
sel towing vehicle, both  
OBO (925) 837-0000

1988 KOMFORT 28' 2 drs,  
clean, air, heat, back bed  
\$4500 obo 925/516-0989

LAYTON 2001 like new,  
loaded, slip 2, 2 pullout  
beds \$16K 925/719-1479

MALLARD 1986 31', slip,  
9 on matt bed, 400 A/C  
& heat, like new, \$10,000  
OBO 925/634-2262

ROCKWOOD 1982 1260XL  
whit, pop-up camping trailer  
\$2500 925/356-809

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Bumper pull, full BA, super  
cond. \$3000 925/437-6444

SPOKESKING 5th wheel 22'  
1987, immac. \$6700 obo  
(925) 678-4263; 461-2011

STARCRAT 24 tent trf, slip,  
6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6,  
\$400 obo. (925) 432-7458

STARCRAT 1998 21' travel  
trf, fully self-contained  
\$8800 OBO 925-382-6606

1984 TENT TRAILER, slip,  
6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6,  
\$1000 obo. (707) 544-1003

UTILITY TRLR, 4.4" WxL  
removable, 22' 2 new tires  
\$400 obo. (925) 432-7458

2000 WILDERNESS 31' Travel  
Trif, \$18,300 obo  
\$19,000 obo 925/835-9800

WILDERNESS 20' trf, slip  
up to 5, fully contain, \$18,300  
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## 810 Motorhomes

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350, diesel, kit, slide-out,  
W/O, immac, loaded  
\$102,900 (925) 516-7010

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32K, 2000hp, like  
new \$8800 (925) 685-8470

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\$4500 510/361-1370

HONDA 1998 Shadow  
1100cc, Windshield, Excel  
cond 7K miles, \$8000 Call  
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HONDA 1998 Shadow 750  
3K, 3K, 2000, 2000,  
windshield, 18K, grt bike,  
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**It's a sweet season: Everything you ever wanted to know about onions**

BY JANE SNOW

THE NIGHT RIDER NEWSPAPERS  
The onion used to be kind of the  
of produce. It wasn't big on  
though it had a certain roguish  
charm.  
When heat was applied, it filled  
person with its megawatt person-

But delicate and refined? Never.  
That was way back before the  
a cippolini and debonair Vidalia  
into town. Now, onions get in-  
to all the best places.

Markets are filled with an as-  
tounding variety of onions these  
days, and many of them appear in  
spring.

Sweet Vidalia onions from Geor-  
gia are now in stores. Once king of  
the onion crop, they now have  
lots of competition. Farmers from  
Texas to Texas have begun grow-

ing the sugary onions, which go by  
such names as "AmeriSweet,"  
"SpringSweets" and "1015 Super-  
Sweets."

Shoppers can also buy not only  
regular spring green onions (also  
called scallions), but also red scal-  
lions, red pearl onions and even  
ramps (a wild relative of chives).

Yet another onion, the Italian cip-  
polini, makes its appearance at this  
time of year. The small, flat, sweet  
onions are favorites of chefs.

All of these spring onions com-  
pete for attention with the regular  
storage onions available year-round:  
yellow, white, Bermuda, Spanish and  
purple.

Confused? No wonder. But we're  
here to help you sort it out.

The first rule of onion-buying is  
that all onions are interchangeable.  
Use them however you like. The fin-  
ished dish will taste just fine.

That said, you may prefer to eat  
sweet onions raw and storage  
onions cooked, to showcase their  
particular flavors.

The differences between sweet  
and storage onions are many. Sweet  
onions are plucked from the ground  
and sold fresh. Storage onions are  
cured before picking — the stalks  
are bent over and the onions are left  
to dry for several weeks, which  
toughens the outer skins.

Sweet onions have thin skins and  
a high water content, and must be  
refrigerated or they'll spoil. Storage  
onions are less juicy, and may be  
stored at room temperature.

The biggest difference, however,  
is in flavor. Although there's no official  
standard, sweet onions generally  
contain at least 6 percent sugar  
and have lower levels of sulfur com-  
pounds than storage onions do. The  
pyruvic acid in sulfur is what makes  
onions taste strong and causes tears.

In stores, you can usually tell the  
difference between sweet and stor-  
age onions by shape, skin and price.  
Many sweet onions are slightly flat-  
tened. The skins are thin and pliable,  
and they cost more than storage  
onions. Also, most sweet onions are  
tagged individually with a tiny sticker  
that bears the onion's name.

Storage onions are more difficult  
to tell apart. They don't come with  
handy little stickers.

Spanish onions used to be the  
only oversize yellow onions on the  
market. They were prized for their  
mild flavor. But now many of the  
large yellow onions in stores pack a  
peppery punch.

Large, slightly flat Bermuda  
onions also were a favorite in  
decades past because of their rela-  
tively mild flavor. They're harder to  
find now, though, and may be con-  
fused with regular white globe  
onions.

Purple onions stand out in the  
crowd because of their lush, deep-  
red color. These storage onions are  
fickle, though.



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SCALLIONS, RED AND VIDALIA are just three of the onion choices in today's supermarkets.

Some have a milder flavor than  
regular yellow or white globe onions,  
while others are sharp. Chefs like  
them because they caramelize  
evenly. In the spring, when so many  
onions hit the market, you almost  
need a scorecard to keep the vari-  
eties straight. Hey — what a good  
idea

#### FOUR-ONION RISOTTO

2 tablespoons butter  
2 cups thinly sliced leeks  
1 large yellow onion, diced  
5 to 6 shallots, thinly sliced  
6 cups garlic, thinly sliced  
2 cups arborio rice  
½ cup white wine  
6 cups hot chicken broth  
2 tablespoons fresh thyme leaves  
½ cup goat cheese  
Heat butter in a large, heavy  
saucepan over medium high heat.  
Sauté leeks, onion, shallots and gar-  
lic until soft and transparent, 7 to 10

minutes. Add rice and stir to coat  
with butter. Add wine and cook un-  
til it is absorbed. Add chicken broth  
1 cup at a time, stirring between ad-  
ditions until broth has been ab-  
sorbed. Stir in 1 tablespoon thyme  
and the goat cheese. Divide among  
6 to 8 shallow bowls and garnish with  
remaining thyme.

#### SWEET ONION PIZZA

1 (12-inch) prebaked pizza shell  
2 ½ tablespoons olive oil  
1 pound sweet onions, halved  
and sliced thin  
¼ cup oil-packed sun-dried  
tomatoes, chopped  
½ teaspoon oregano  
½ teaspoon thyme  
½ teaspoon basil  
Salt, pepper  
3 tablespoons grated Parmesan  
Place pizza shell on baking sheet.  
Top with onions and drizzle with  
olive oil.

Scatter tomatoes over onions. Sprin-  
kle with herbs, salt and pepper. Top  
with cheese. Bake at 425 degrees  
for about 10 minutes, or until top be-  
gins to brown.

#### ONION RELISH

1 pound sweet onions  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 teaspoon coarse sea salt or  
kosher salt  
12 fresh mint leaves, chopped  
Peel onions and cut into 1/3-inch-  
thick slices. Arrange on a platter or  
in a large shallow bowl. Drizzle with  
olive oil and sprinkle with salt.  
Grate lime rind and set aside.  
Squeeze juice from limes and sprin-  
kle over onions. Sprinkle with lime  
rind and mint. Let rest 10 minutes  
before serving. Serve as an accom-  
paniment to grilled meat.  
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# Types of onions

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## Sweet onions

**Cippolini:** These trendy newcomers are smaller than Vidalias but larger than boiling onions. They are flat, with thin skins and a medium-sweet flavor. They appear in late spring.

**Walla Walla:** These are the granddaddies of American sweet onions. They are said to have originated from seeds brought to the Pacific Northwest from Corsica at the turn of the 20th century. They're available mid-June to mid-August.

**Vidalia:** The Georgia hybrid was discovered in 1931, but gained fame in the 1980s, when a group of Vidalia farmers launched a vigorous promotional campaign. They were the first sweet onions to be available nationally. They were originally available in spring and early summer only, but now are available through fall.

**SpringSweets and 1015 SuperSweets:** Both were developed at Texas A&M University to help Texas farmers cash in on the sweet-onion craze. SpringSweets debut in March, the first spring onion of the season. 1015 SuperSweets follow in mid-April.

**Sweet Imperial:** The California version of the Vidalia is grown in the Imperial Valley and is available from April through June. The globe-shaped onions are at least 2 1/2 inches in diameter.

**AmeriSweet:** Grown in low-sulfur soil in the Grand Rapids area, this Michigan sweet onion is round rather than flattened and is about 3 to 4 inches in diameter. AmeriSweets are harvested in September and are available through October.

**Maui:** The famous Hawaiian sweet onions are grown in volcanic

soil. They're a favorite of tourists and are available from April through December.

**OSO Sweets:** South America, especially Chile, began growing these onions in 1989 to provide sweet onions to the American market in the off season. They're available from January through March.

**Rio Sweet:** Another South American sweet onion, this variety is available from October through December.

## Scallions

**Green onions (scallions):** The slim onions with the long, green tops are actually just immature yellow or white globe onions. The flavor can range from medium-mild to quite sharp.

**Red scallions:** They're similar to green onions, but with slightly larger, reddish root ends.

## Storage onions

**Yellow globe:** The most common onion type, they can be medium or large. They are always pungent. They're available year-round.

**White globe:** They're similar to yellow globe onions, but slightly less pungent. They're available year-round.

**Bermuda:** These large, slightly flat onions may be yellow or white. They're available in the spring and have a milder flavor than regular globe onions.

**Spanish:** The large, spherical onions are usually yellow, and have a milder flavor than globe onions. They are available year-round.

**Purple or red:** The deep red color makes this a popular onion for salads and sandwiches. They caramelize beautifully, although cooking destroys the color. They range from pungent to fairly mild. They are available year-round.



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## How to peel, not cry about it

BY JANE SNOW

KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Aw, quit your bawling. Peeling onions isn't that bad.

In fact, it's not bad at all if you wear contact lenses.

For centuries, cooks have tried to figure out how to peel and chop onions without tearing, which is caused by the sulfuric compounds that the onions release.

Old wives' tales have produced some silly moments in the kitchen. Cooks have peeled onions while holding unit matches between their teeth, while balancing onion slices on their heads and with their mouths crammed full of bread.

All to no avail.

Years ago, Julia Child tested several methods and concluded that wearing swimming goggles was the best way to prevent tearing — unless it was from laughter.

More recently, Cook's magazine tested 22 methods suggested by staffers and readers. The best way to peel an onion without bawling, they concluded, is to wear contact lenses.

Goggles worked fairly well and so did burning a candle near the cut-

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ounce glass.  
Stir to blend. Add mocha chip and dark ice cream.  
Fill glass with ice. Garnish with a dusting of cream and dust with a straw and long spoon.  
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ting board. Refrigerating the onion before cutting was somewhat successful.

One of the best methods, according to Akron Beacon Journal readers, is to position a small fan near the cutting board, or chop the onion between the burners on the stove, under the exhaust hood. The air current carries the sulfuric acid away.

When you're done chopping, sprinkle some salt on your palms and rub them together under running water. The onion odor will vanish.

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# The works: The refined taste of the well-bread sandwich

BY WILLIAM RICE  
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Perhaps you have noticed an increase in the number and type of sandwiches being offered in restaurants both plain and fancy. Industry statistics show that sales have been increasing steadily across the country for what the trade calls "custom-made" sandwiches, some classics and others innovations. Meanwhile, quality-oriented sandwich shops such as Potbelly Sandwich Works are cloning themselves and some, including the Così chain, have launched "dinner" sandwiches.

With the fantastic selection of gourmet foods — including deli meats, smoked and cured fish, marinated vegetables and exotic condiments — available in markets, it is likely that more sandwiches are being created in home kitchens as well.

Of course, no sandwich is better than the bread that surrounds the filling. Again, we are blessed with a ready supply of freshly handcrafted breads and the selection continues to improve. Yet certain breads are difficult, if not impossible, to locate, and certain sandwiches, mostly ethnic, taste absolutely wrong unless made with the "right" bread.

I was delighted, therefore, after bemoaning the absence of the particularly light and airy product called "Cuban bread," to hear from Dean Pine, owner of the Las Villas Bakery in Chicago. "Come on in,"

he announced, "we've got your bread and a lot of other stuff too."

The bakery, surprisingly large with spartan decor, also functions as a restaurant and catering operation. It produces puff-pastry pastellitos, appetizers filled with guava jelly and cream cheese; sheet and round dessert cakes in a variety of fruit flavors; delicious roast pork, including whole pigs; and Cuban sandwiches.

The bread was fine, a long, large loaf with a thin, crackly crust and soft but tasty interior. Las Villas produces individual, torpedo-shaped loaves as well, but if making sandwiches for a group, the Cuban loaf is the one you should use. (Be aware that this bread goes stale in about as much time as it takes to scoop up a tablespoon of mayonnaise. Buy it the same day you plan to use it.)

A true Cuban sandwich calls for slices of ham and roast pork along with cheese, mustard and pickles. That's easy enough, you say, but there's a twist to the final preparation. The sandwich is put into a press, a distinctive piece of kitchen equipment that looks like a cross between a waffle iron and a dry cleaner's steam press. Presses of various sizes and prices are on sale at some kitchenware shops and restaurant supply firms. They, and the Cuban sandwich, already are on the 15-minutes-of-fame treadmill, so buying one might be the right move if you have a trophy kitchen. Short of that, consider

the jury-rig method proposed in the recipe that follows.

## JIMMY BANNOS' GRILLED SHRIMP PO'BOY SANDWICH

For the remoulade sauce:

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons each Creole mustard, ketchup and finely chopped parsley
- ½ cup finely chopped green onions

- ¼ cup small capers
  - 1 teaspoon each chopped garlic and hot pepper sauce
- For the sandwiches:

- 12 large shrimp, shelled and deveined
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 teaspoons Creole spice mix
- 1 loaf Cuban bread
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and cut in half

Shredded iceberg lettuce  
1 large ripe tomato, sliced thin  
■ In a medium bowl, prepare the remoulade by blending mayonnaise, mustard, ketchup, parsley, green onions, capers, chopped garlic and hot pepper sauce.

■ In a separate bowl, coat the shrimp with 2 tablespoons olive oil and the Creole spice. Grill or broil the shrimp, turning once, until

cooked through, about 3 minutes.

■ Cut loaf vertically into 4- to 6-inch pieces, then cut each piece horizontally not quite all the way through. If desired, pull out some of the bread and discard. Brush the inside of each piece with remaining oil and rub the oil-coated bread with garlic halves. Toast the bread until lightly browned, about 3 minutes.

■ Let the bread cool slightly, then layer lettuce, tomato and shrimp on each piece. Top with remoulade and close sandwiches or pass remoulade in a sauceboat at the table.

Makes four sandwiches.

Jimmy Bannos, a devotee of New Orleans fare, is chef-owner of Chicago's three Heaven on Seven restaurants.



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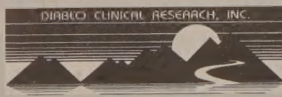
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### Friday, May 31

#### Pre-Affordable Housing Week Event

8:30 - 10 a.m. -- Leadership Breakfast for Alameda County elected officials --

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### Saturday, June 1

9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. -- Affordable Housing and Smart Growth in Fremont -- Bus tour, space limited. Reservations: (510) 663-3830.

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10 a.m. -- Tour of East Bay Habitat for Humanity, Crockett Information: (510) 251-6308

11:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. -- Contra Costa TV Affordable Housing Forum -- Channels 10, 18, 19 and 27.

3:30 - 6:30 p.m. -- Benefit and Open House at Adeline Loft apartments, Oakland -- Info and reservations: Affordable Housing Associates, (510) 649-8500.

### Sunday, June 2

Bishop John Cummins issues a Pastoral call to Catholics and all people of good will to respond to the housing crisis. Info: Catholic Housing Initiative, (510) 768-3164.

Housing Sabbath -- Faith communities respond to the affordable housing crisis in Contra Costa County. Info: Marin Interfaith Council, (415) 209-6278. Sponsored by the Association of Homeless and Housing Service Providers.

Monday, June 3

7:300 a.m. -- Leadership Breakfast for Contra Costa elected officials, Concord --

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11 a.m. -- Interfaith Press Conference -- St. Mary's Center, 635 - 22nd St., Oakland. Info: Catholic Housing Initiative, (510) 768-3164.

Tuesday, June 4

Noon - 1 p.m. -- Affordable Housing Lunch Time Celebration, Oakland City Hall Plaza -- Music and celebration. Info: (510) 663-3830. Sponsored by Just Cause Oakland, Saint Mary's Center and EBHO.

4 - 6 p.m. -- Open House at Crescent Park Family Resource Center, 5004 Hartnett Avenue, Richmond. Info: (415)258-1800. Sponsored by EAH.

Wednesday, June 5

11:30 - 2:30 p.m. -- Open House at Oakland Point Apartments -- 963 Center Street, West Oakland. Info: (510) 287-5353, x254. Sponsored by EBALDC and Jubilee West.

Noon -- Music & Affordable Housing in the Park, Concord -- Todos Santos Plaza, between Sabrio and Willow Pass Road. Info: (925) 335-0698. Sponsored by the Association of Homeless and Housing Service Providers.

4 - 5:30 p.m. -- Gift of the Streets -- Children's Art from the Henry Robinson Multi-Service Center at the Oakland Museum of California, opening reception (exhibition runs July 1-28). Sponsors: Oakland City Councilmember Nancy Nadel, EBHO, Alameda County-Wide Homeless Continuum of Care, Museum of Children's Art (MOCHA), Operation Dignity, Oakland Museum of California.

Thursday, June 6

Opening Our Hearts, Opening Our Minds - Faith Communities welcome affordable housing. James Irvine Conference Center, 353 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland. Info and reservations: (510) 663-3830. Sponsored by EBHO, Catholic Housing Initiative and the FAITHS Initiative.

11:30 a.m. -- Open House at Herb White Way -- Corner of West Eighth St., Pittsburg. Info and reservations: (925) 288-0112.

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Noon - 2 p.m. -- Open House at Bancroft Senior Homes -- 5636 Bancroft Ave., Oakland. Info: (510) 649-8500. Sponsored by Christian Church Homes and Affordable Housing Associates.

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Saturday, June 8

1 - 4 p.m. -- Arts and Housing Alive! -- Arts festival and affordable housing fair. Info: (510) 663-3830. Sponsored by EBHO, City of Berkeley Housing Dept., Affordable Housing Associates, League of Women Voters, BOSS, Jubilee Restoration, Northern California Land Trust, and Resources for Community Development.

Sunday, June 9

2 - 4 p.m. -- Ever Wonder Where Your Children Will Live? -- Affordable Housing Forum, Christ the King Church, Corner of Brandon Rd. and Gregory Ln., Pleasant Hill. Info: (925) 335-0698. Sponsored by the Interfaith Social Justice Alliance.







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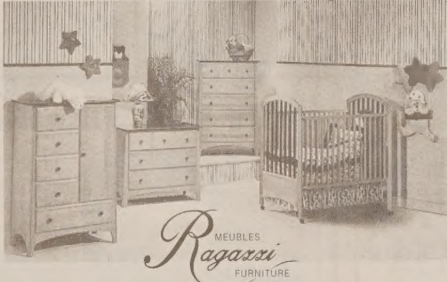
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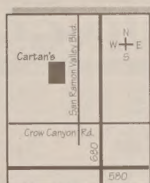
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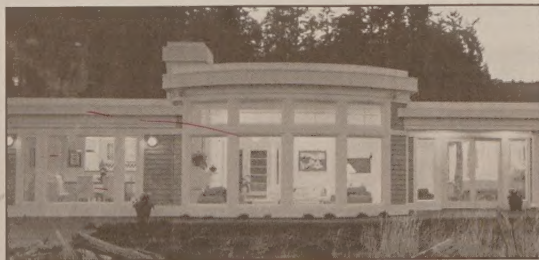
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People came by our booth at the home show and said, "We've been looking for your product!" said Trevor Gill, president of ProCraft Thermal Systems in Sacramento. The product to which they referred is Liquid Siding, an energy efficient exterior coating, sold by ProCraft Thermal Systems, Inc., and installed by Custom Development of California.

Liquid Siding is an evolutionary alternative to painting your home. The specialized, permanent coating employs a layer of ceramic microspheres which provide insulation equal to seven inches of fiberglass batting and dries to the thickness of a credit card.

"Liquid Siding can cut utility bills considerably," Gill says. "It's designed for people who have to paint their home or for those considering vinyl siding. Unlike paint, Liquid Siding won't crack, peel, blister or chip. It also resists fading, mold and mildew. And, unlike vinyl siding, it will not alter the architectural aesthetics of the home". He explains that the product was invented in Canada by Krylon Coating International, approximately 30 years ago using space age technology. The space shuttle uses the same ceramic

properties in protecting its vulnerable exterior from the degrees below zero cold of outer space to the degrees heat of re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere. Liquid Siding was originally developed as an exterior coastal lighthouse. A test site at Point Roberts, Vancouver is used to measure the product's performance. The product carries a nonprorated 25-year warranty increase from the original 10-year warranty. Liquid Siding is installed by ProCraft Thermal Systems, a 100% customer satisfaction guarantee. The standard colors to choose from, and the product looks like paint and works like magic.

"Liquid Siding will soon become the exterior of homes and businesses," Gill says.

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